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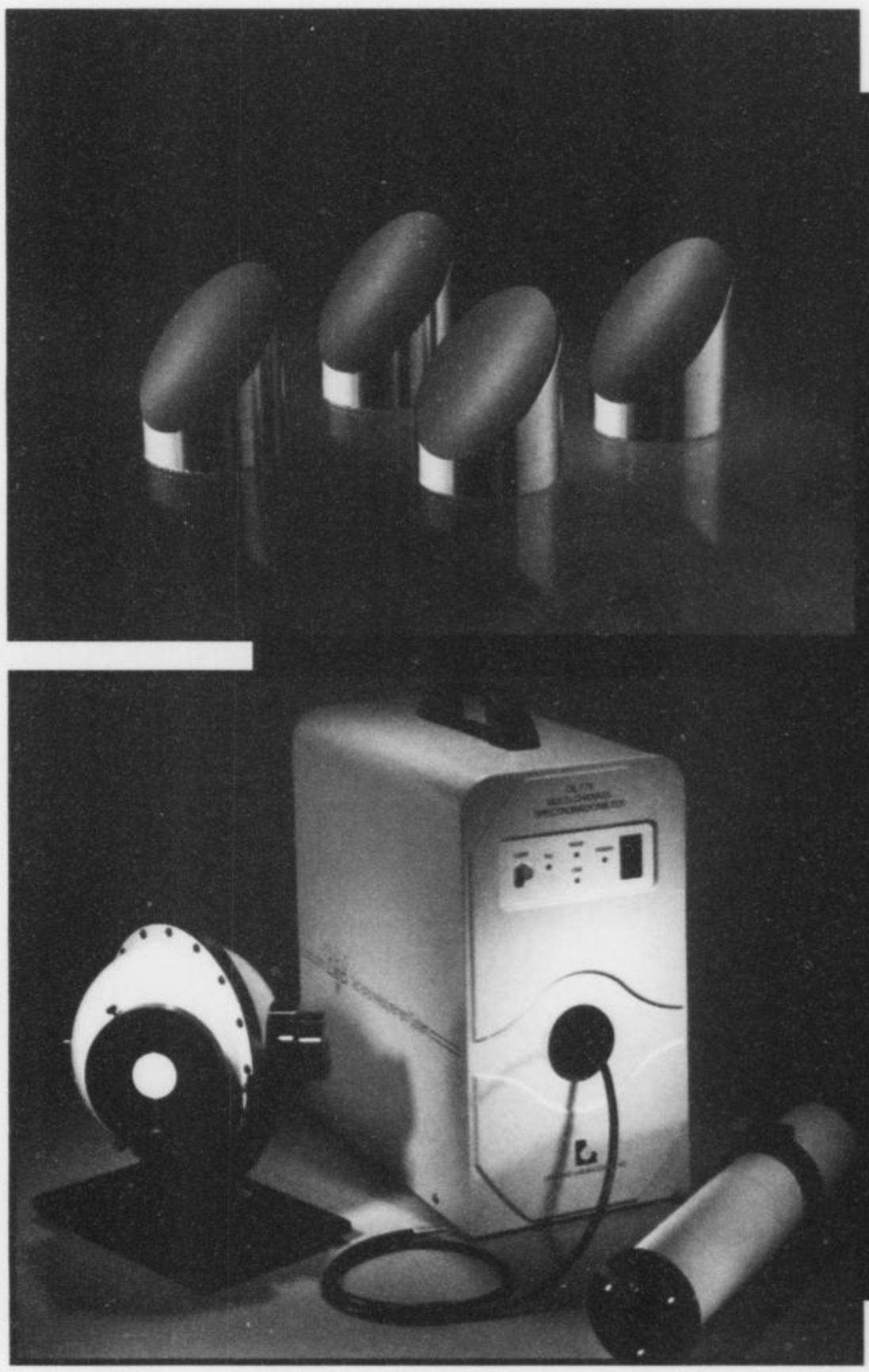

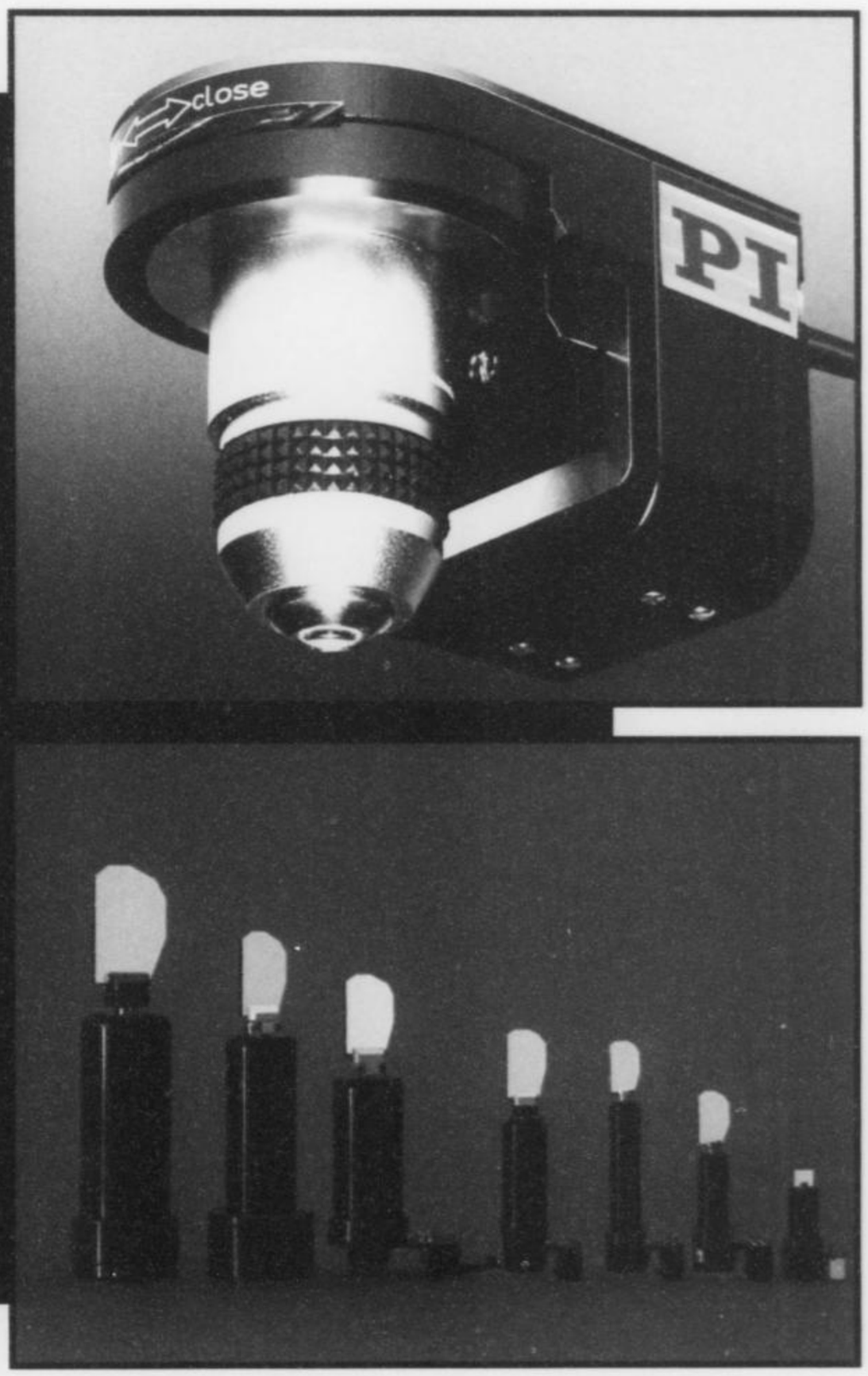

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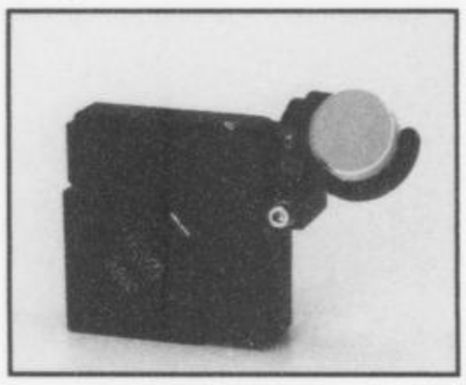

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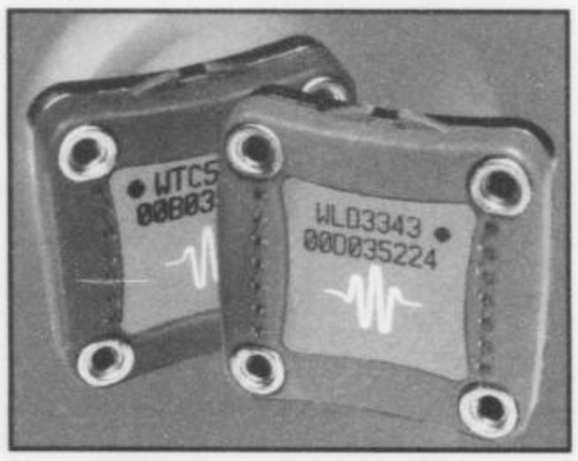
High-Current/BW Laser Diode Driver



Using Wavelength Electronics Inc.'s WLD3343 high-current, high-bandwidth laser diode driver in a master/slave configuration offers 9+ A at 2-MHz bandwidth (3 dB, constant current mode). The driver is ideal for high-power laser diodes, fiber-coupled pumps and bars. Complementary temperature controllers also are available. An applications note is available online.

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SphereOptics-Hoffman introduces integrating sphere luminance/radiance light source systems for test and NIST-traceable calibration of electronic imaging devices, CCD arrays and multispectral cameras. Sphere sizes range from 15 cm to 2 m, each with an output port sized to provide uniform luminance of ±1% for accurate, repeatable measurements. Models with low-, mid- and high-radiance output levels accommodate applications in night vision, satellite imagery and quantum efficiency.

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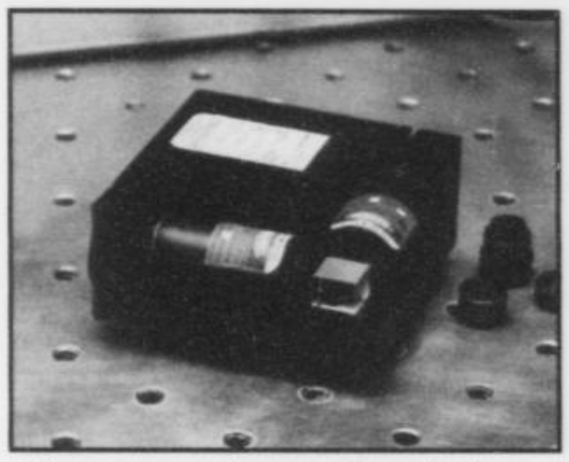

Power Technology Inc. offers a variety of laser diode modules for analytical, biomedical and industrial applications. Available wavelengths extend from 370 to 1600 nm, with output powers from a single milliwatt to several watts. For applications requiring even more power, we offer a dual-beam combiner that not only can double the power available at a certain wavelength, but also can merge two wavelengths.

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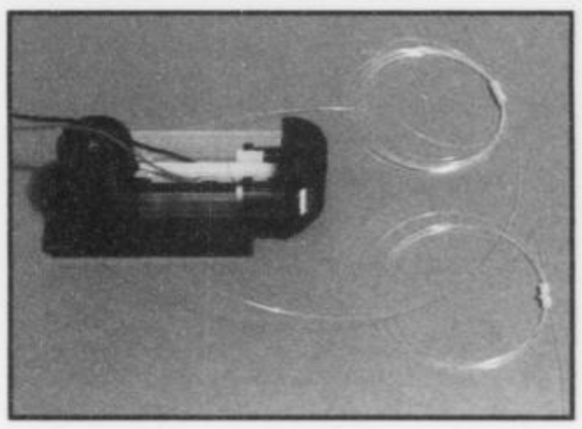

Our fiber stretcher uses approximately 15 m of fiber to provide more than 4-mm stretch in most fiber types for optical coherence tomography fringe scanning and delay line applications. It is supplied with a high-voltage driver card and/or controller.

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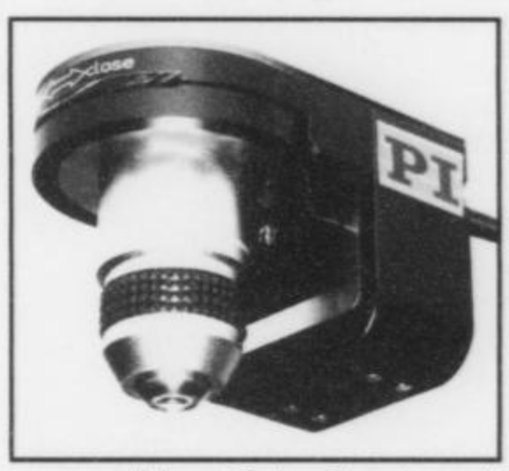
Nanofocusing and Image-Dithering Stages



PI provides the fastest and highest-resolution nanofocusing and image-dithering piezo stages to enhance resolution in digital imaging and microscopy. The stages offer subnanometer resolution for positioning to fractions of a pixel, fast response to keep pace with high frame rates and very high repeatability. A variety of standard and OEM controllers are available. The stages are compatible with leading imaging software packages.

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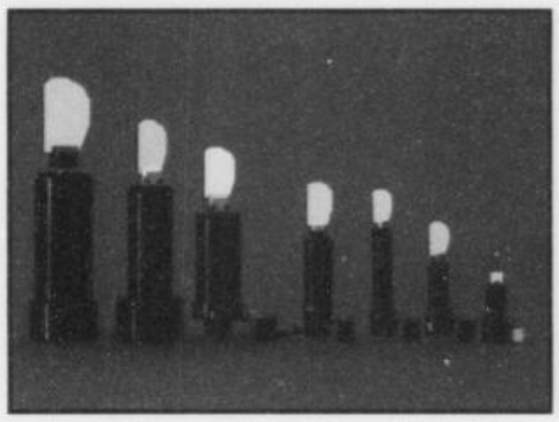

The 6200H moving-magnet, closed-loop galvanometer series combines Cambridge Technology Inc.'s latest development in actuator technology with a patented advanced optical position detector design. The result is high torque per watt and closed-loop bandwidths for high positioning speed and accuracy.

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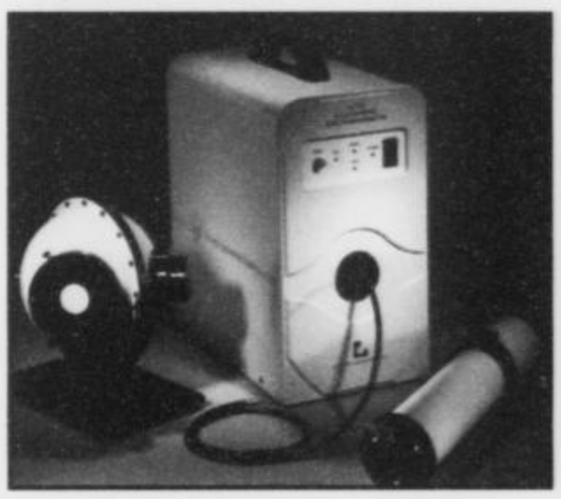
High-Speed LED Test and Measurement



The OL 770-LED high-speed spectroradiometer is optimized for LED test and measurement. Capable of more than 25 spectral scans per second, the OL 770-LED is a complete turnkey LED measurement system designed in accordance with CIE Publication 127, conditions A and B. It provides research-grade measurements at a fraction of the cost of bench-bound instruments, and is ideal when instrument portability is needed.

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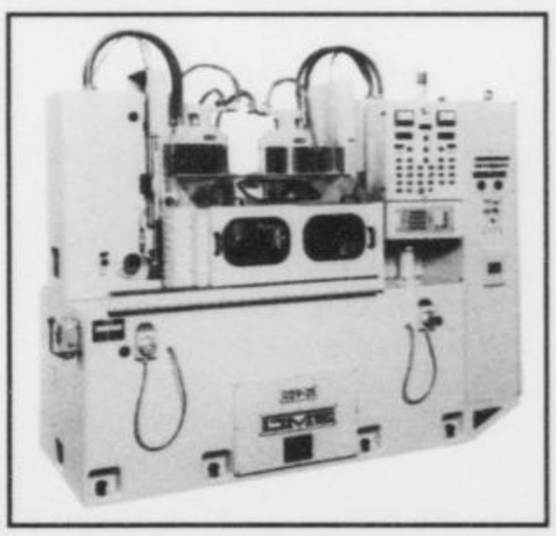
Precision Surface Grinders



Precision grinders from Mildex offer infinitely variable stepless infeeds, which are superior for grinding glass, ceramics or rare-earth materials. Chuck sizes from 10 to 60 in. are available, including twin-head models (shown) for further production efficiency. Continuous processing from rough to finish is possible in one chucking.

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VariSpec™ Liquid Crystal Tunable Filters

Solid-state, imaging-quality VariSpec liquid crystal tunable filters from the industry leader enable effortless tuning to any wavelength in the VIS or the near-IR without vibration or noise. A USB interface provides digital control and power, as well as easy integration for your research or OEM applications. Windows software SDK is available.

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Oriel MIR8025™ FT-Spectrometer

Newport's Oriel MIR8025 FT-Spectrometer was designed for versatility, performance and value. It is modular: The beamsplitter, detector and source are interchangeable so that you can build the system to your needs, with our components or your own. The MatLab®-based software with ActiveX™ control, and a USB 2.0 interface simplify operation and data collection. The device is suitable for R&D applications, such as laser diagnostics, fiber characterization and radiometry, and is used as a subassembly by systems integrators.

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Imaging and Capillary Fiber Optic Components

SCHOTT Fiber Optics manufactures high-resolution imaging fiber optic faceplates and tapers for demanding defense, medical and scientific applications. Additional offerings of flexible coherent imaging bundles, high-density capillary arrays, photonic crystal fibers and specialty hybrid components provide customization and flexibility for design versatility.

Fiber Optics, SCHOTT North America Inc. **Circle No. 14**

FireWire Laser Beam Profiler

Spiricon Inc. announces laser beam profilers that use FireWire-equipped cameras that connect directly to a laptop computer for portable beam analysis. Multiple FireWire cameras operate simultaneously and capture CW and pulsed laser beams. The LBA-FW uses standard megapizel CCDs for UV and visible lasers. Spiricon's Pyrocam III covers the IR from 1 to more than 1000 µm.

Spiricon Inc. **Circle No. 15**

Miniature CO_2/CO Laser

Access Laser Company is offering a new generation of RF-excited CO_2 and CO lasers operating from 9.2 to 11 µm and from 5.2 to 6.0 µm. They produce between 100 mW and 20 W of power and are available as wavelength-tunable, stabilized, superpulsed and Q-switched lasers. Also available are isotope CO_2 gas, high-speed-modulated and portable battery-operated versions. Applications include spectroscopy, optical fiber processing, surgery, and marking and coding.

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Silicon & InGaAs TTL Detectors

Electro-Optics Technology Inc. (EOT) introduces the ET-2030TTL and ET-3000TTL silicon and InGaAs photodetectors. These detectors provide both a digital TTL output for triggering applications and an analog output. They include an adjustable A/D threshold with external monitoring and pulse stretching for applications that require longer logic high durations.

Electro-Optics Technology Inc.
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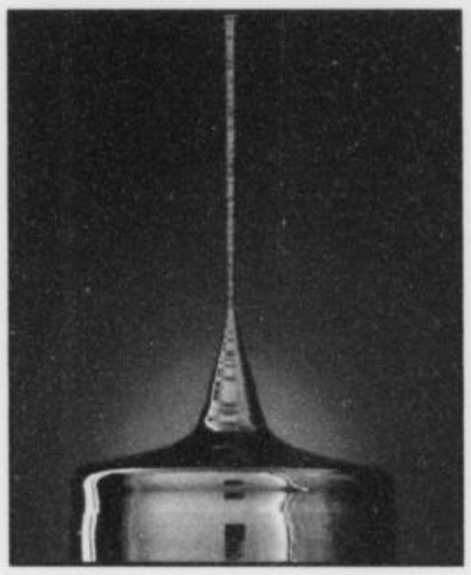
High-Quality Silicon for Optics



Lattice Materials is the world's leading supplier of silicon optical parts, including laser mirrors and infrared lens blanks. We set the standards for quick quote turnaround, fast and reliable delivery and finish quality. We can generate curved blanks, and we have extensive machining capability for complex parts.

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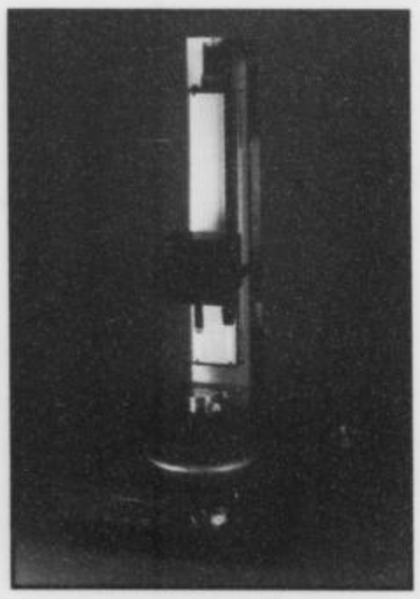
Precision Lens Alignment Station



The Laser Alignment and Assembly Station is a "must have" for those needing to precisely center multielement optical assemblies. A visible diode laser measures tilts as small as 0.5 µm TIR. It is ideal for cementing achromats (doublets, triplets and cylindrical), for potting subassemblies and for assembling entire lenses. And with the new CalcuLens™ software package, data collection and analysis is greatly enhanced.

Opto-Alignment Technology Inc.
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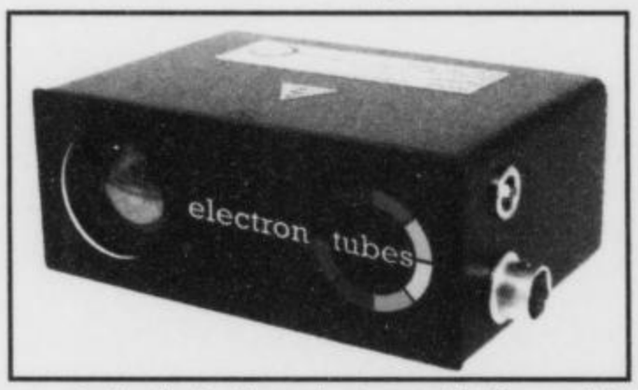
Photon-Counting Photodetector Modules



DM0060C compact photon-counting photodetector modules are now available with an RS-232 interface. They are self-contained and require an external +5-V bias. Sensitive to a spectral response range from 280 to 850 nm, the instruments include the photomultiplier, a high-voltage power supply, an amplifier-discriminator, a microcontroller and Windows-compatible software. Two software-controlled output signals and a trigger input are provided for customer-specific applications.

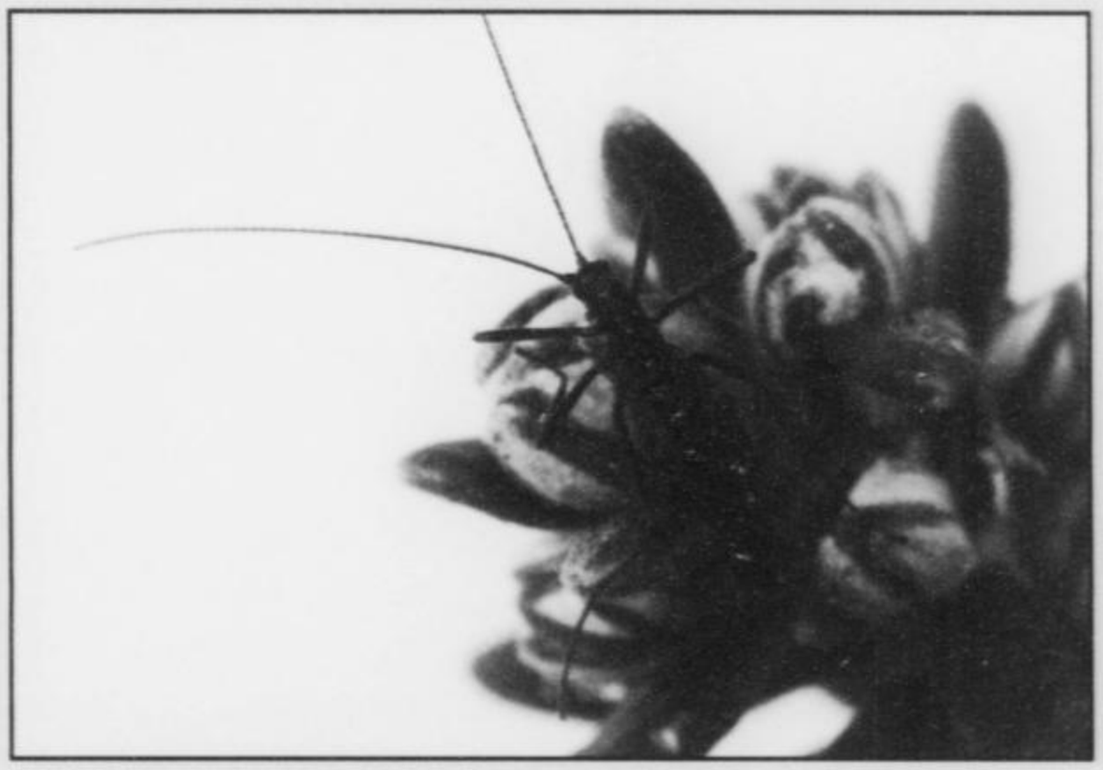
Electron Tubes Inc. **Circle No. 20**

Video Closes in on Coldness Response of Insects

by Caren B. Les

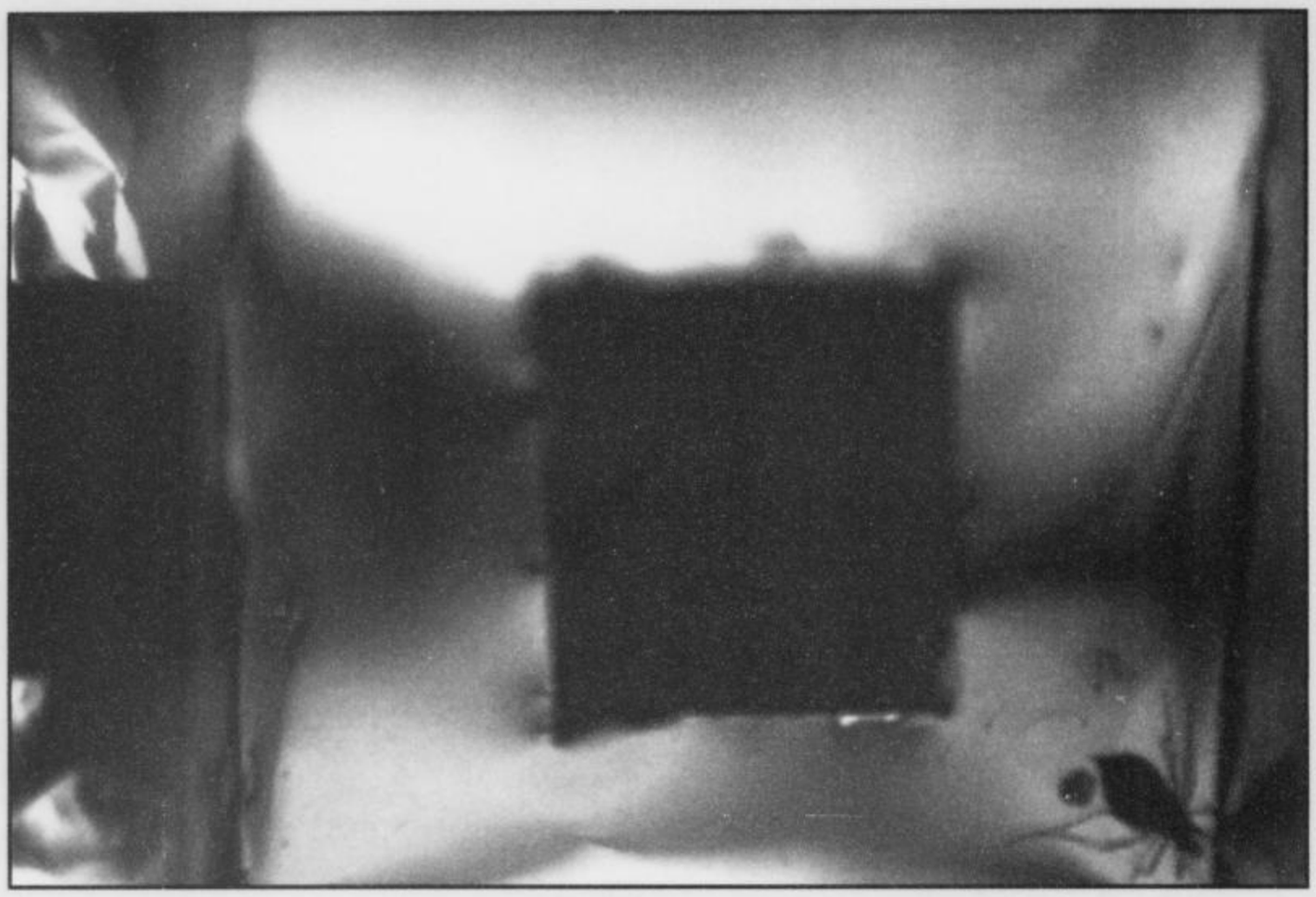
In the alpine areas of Mount Mawson, Tasmania, Australia, there exists a species of insect, *Apteropanorpa tasmanica* Carpenter, that embraces the cold and snow in a lively manner. Researchers at the Australian National University in Canberra have used an infrared video thermography technique to investigate these creatures, also known as scorpion flies. Adults of the species possess some form of tolerance and adaptation to subzero temperatures, and the technique enabled the scientists to view their behavioral response to temperature reductions.

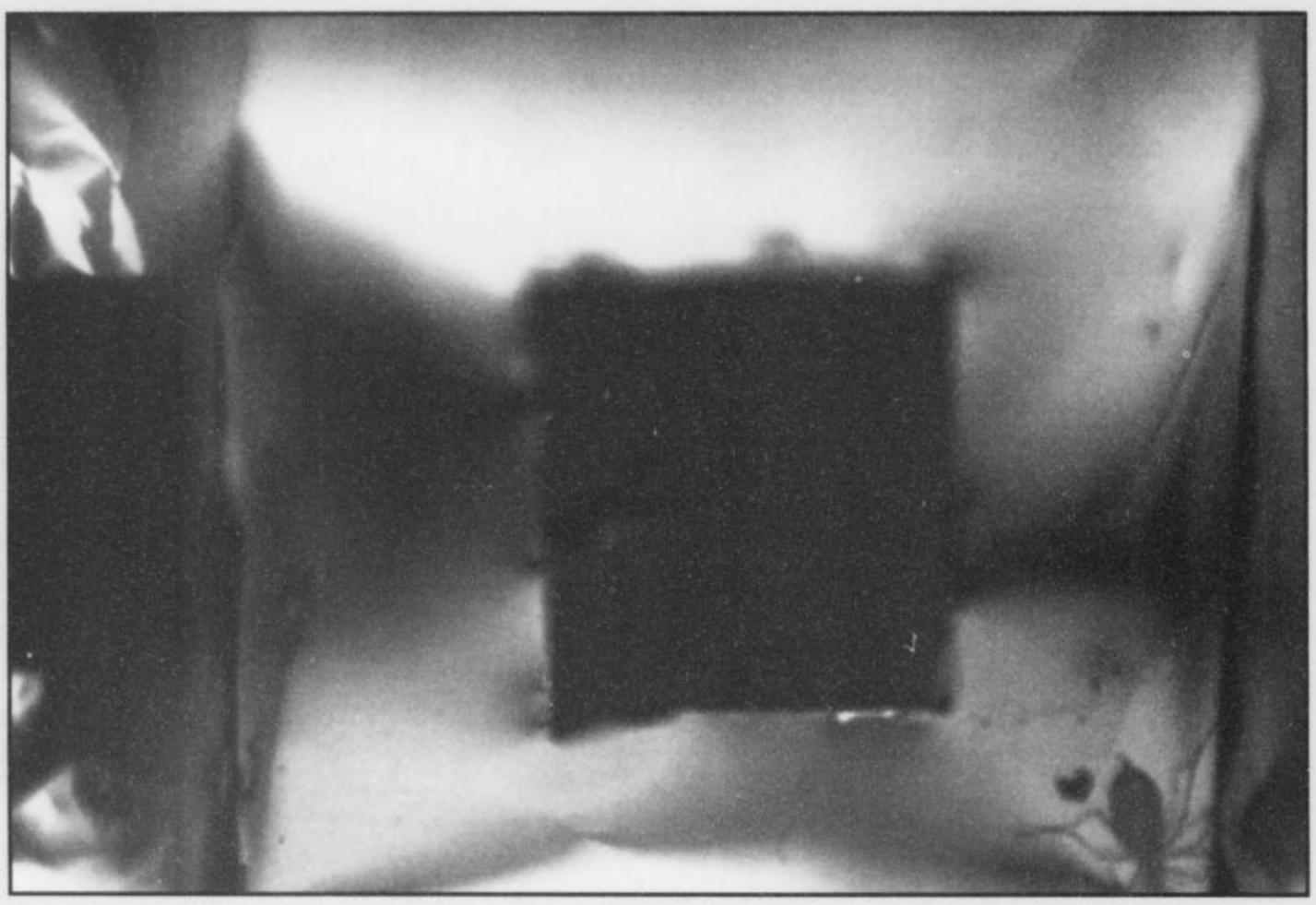
As reported in the August 2004 issue of *BioTechniques*, they determined that the noninvasive video method, which incorporates the unhindered motion of the insect, is significant in that it takes into account behavioral characteristics that may contribute to adaptation. Other methods that have been used to study the physiological limits of insects to low temperatures, such as differential scanning colorimetry, temperature-controlled cooling apparatus, thermocouples and computer-controlled chart recording equipment, have required the animals to remain stationary.



This adult Apteropanorpa tasmanica *male sits on the stem of the kerosine bush, a plant that grows in the Tasmanian alpine environment. The body of the insect, excluding the antennae, is about 8 mm long. The species belongs to the insect order Mecoptera, which includes scorpion flies.*

Alpine landscapes, such as this one in western Tasmania, Australia, are home to the A. tasmanica *species of insect. Researchers have used infrared video thermography to assess the insects' ability to inhabit the cold. Images courtesy of Christopher M. Palmer.*





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This female is shown just before freezing, at a temperature of 26.7 °C. In the experiment, an infrared video camera was fitted to an insulated box, which functioned as a cooling chamber. The insect was contained in a rectangular aluminum cup with a square section of the bottom cut out to allow the insertion of two thermocouples to record air and ground temperature. The dark square in the picture is high-density foam that was used to close the hole.

The researchers, directed by Christopher M. Palmer, collected 13 adult male scorpion flies from an alpine heath. They used a ThermaCam SC2000 infrared video camera from Flir Systems AB of Danderyd, Sweden, to assess the insects' response to decreasing temperatures. Sensitive to infrared radiation in wavelengths between 7.5 and 13.0 µm, the camera measures radiation intensity and then calculates and displays the object temperature in a false color image.

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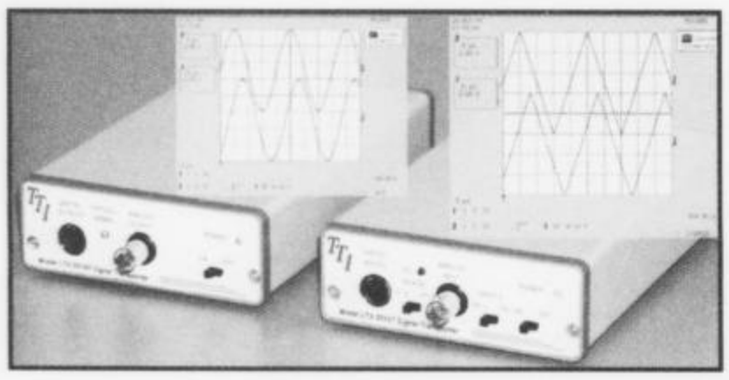

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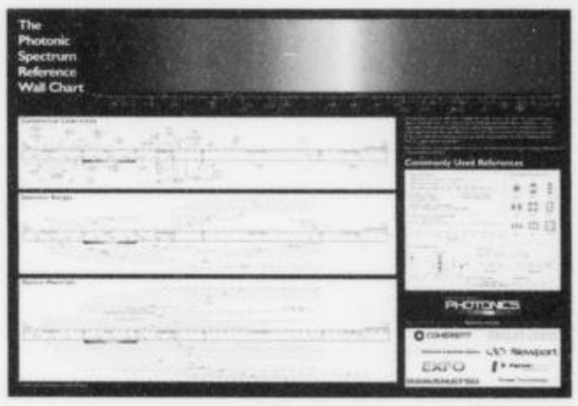

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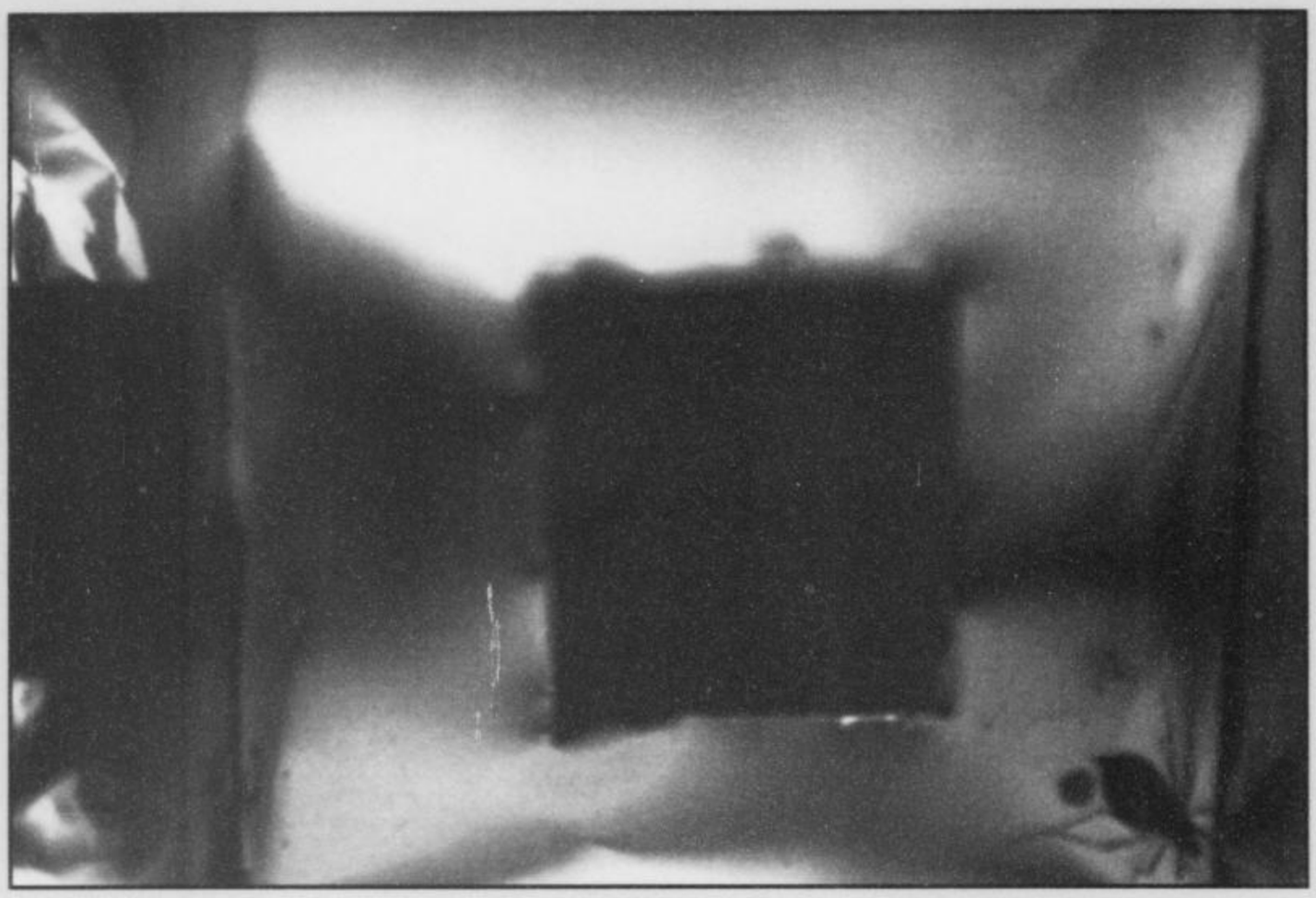

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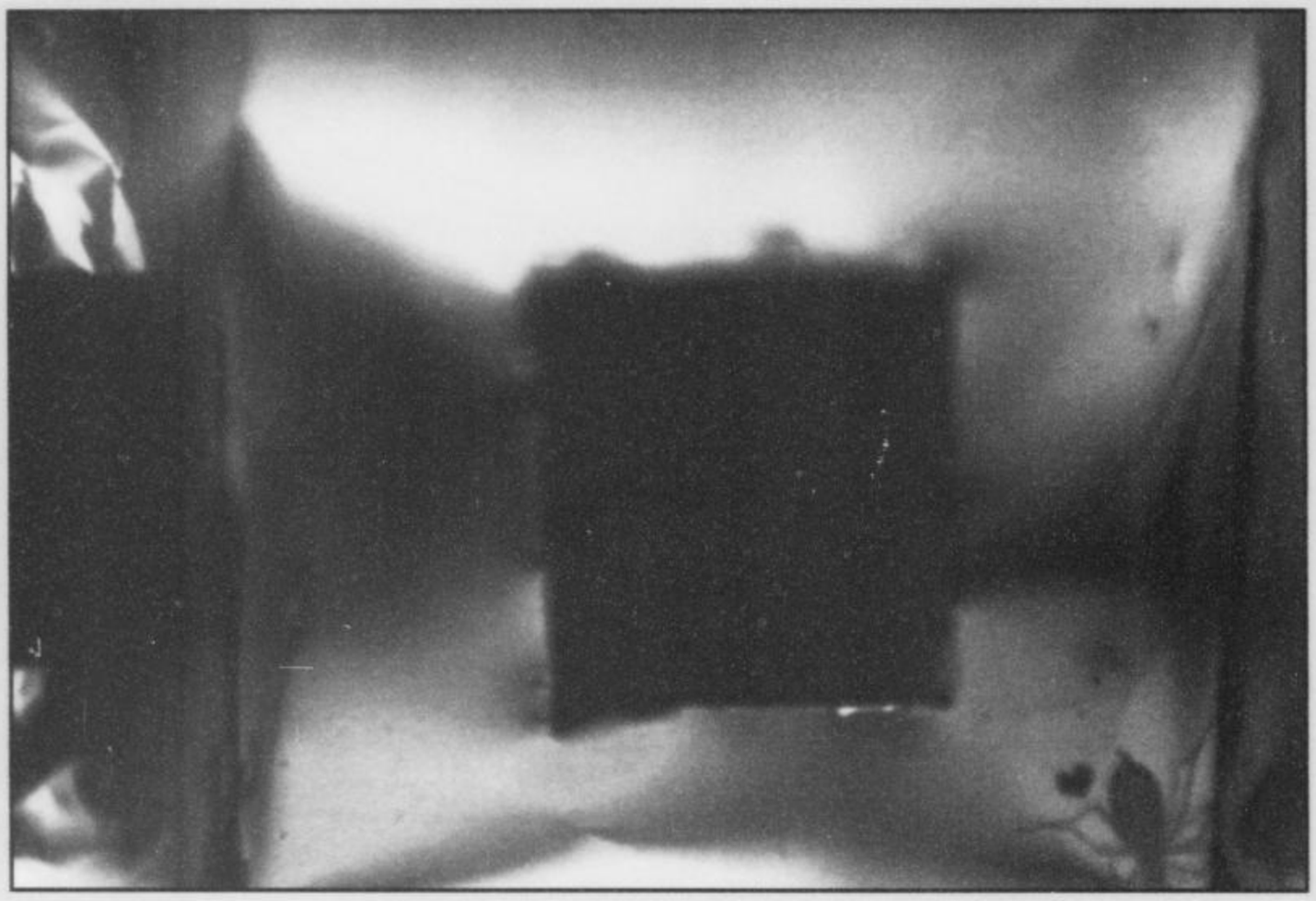

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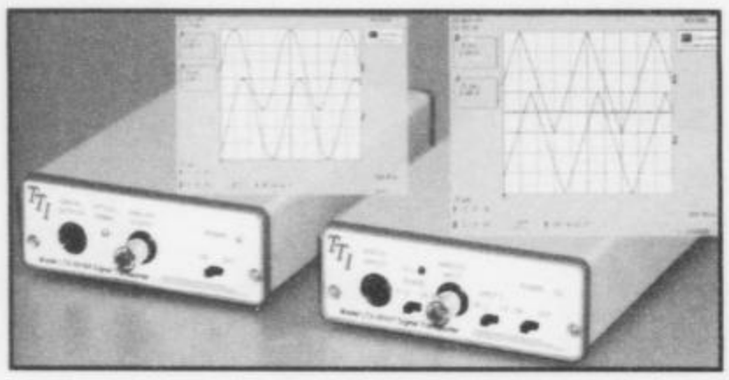

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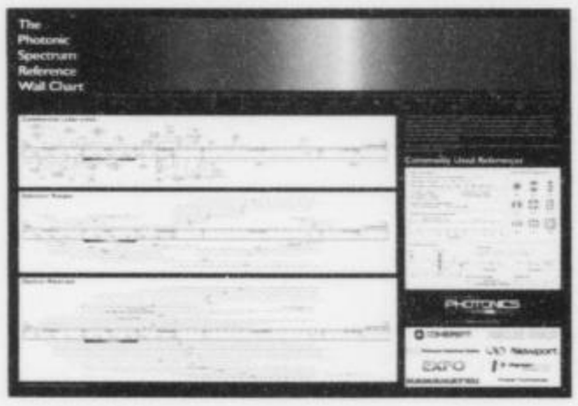

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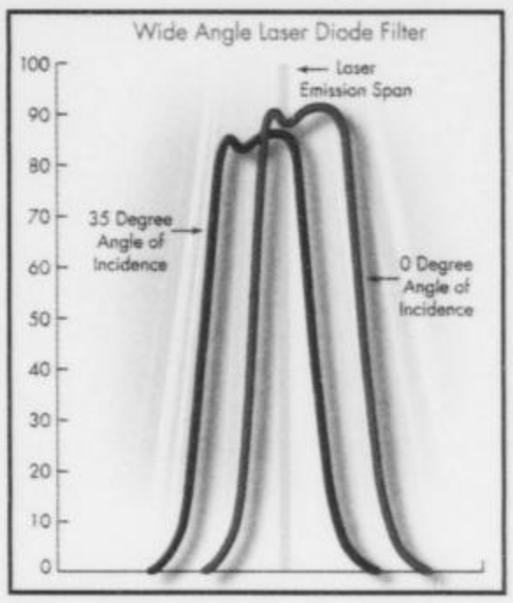
Laser Diode Signal-to-Noise Filters



SPECTRO-FILM stocks bandpass filters designed with 40-dB rejection outside of the bandpass area. Three types are available, with 0° to 15°, 0° to 25° and 0° to 35° angles of incidence. All are made from nonhydroscopic films for a life expectancy of 40 cycles MIL-STD-810C. Contact us for a hard copy, or download one from our Web site for our complete capabilities.

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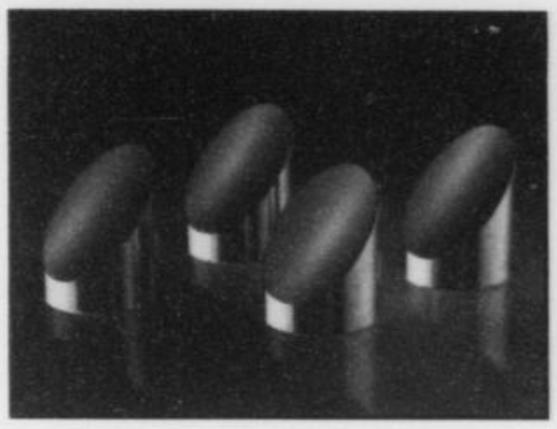
UV-VIS Metal Mirrors



Corning NetOptix announces its new LEC technology, allowing cost-effective production of diffraction-free aluminum diamond-turned mirrors without the need for nickel plating or polishing. The LEC process removes residual diffractive effects of the diamond-turning process without degrading mirror surface figure accuracy on aspheric, flat or free-form mirrors.

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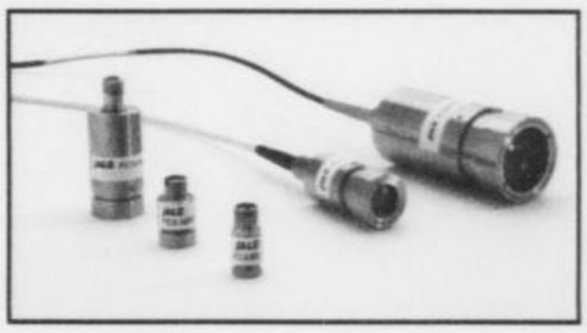
Fiber Collimators with Large Beams



Fiber optic collimators for single-mode and polarization-maintaining fibers have apertures from 5 to 45 mm and produce clean Gaussian beams that keep their shape over very long distances. Output has wavefront quality <λ/10 and adjustable focus/collimation, with a locking feature, for wavelengths from 370 to 1700 nm. Input has an FC or FC/APC receptacle. They are suitable for interferometry, remote sensing, free-space communications, large-object alignment, metrology and portable instrumentation.

Micro Laser Systems Inc. **Circle No. 24**

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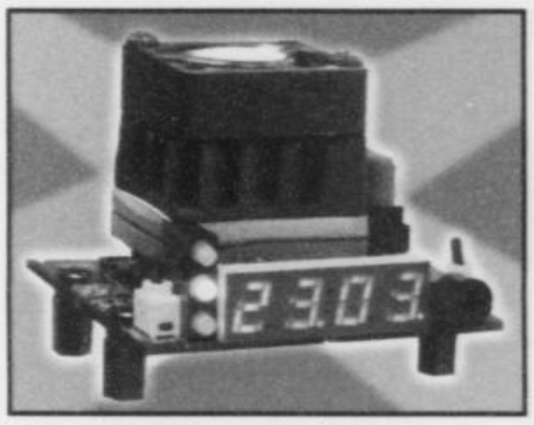

Based on the Wavelength Electronics WTC3243 temperature controller, this custom system displays temperature (converted from the thermistor signal), has an LED indicator tree to show "in" or "out" of range, and adapts to multiple thermoelectrics. Pricing is attractive for system integration as well as for research applications. As always, Wavelength's technical support team will help optimize your system to ensure your success.

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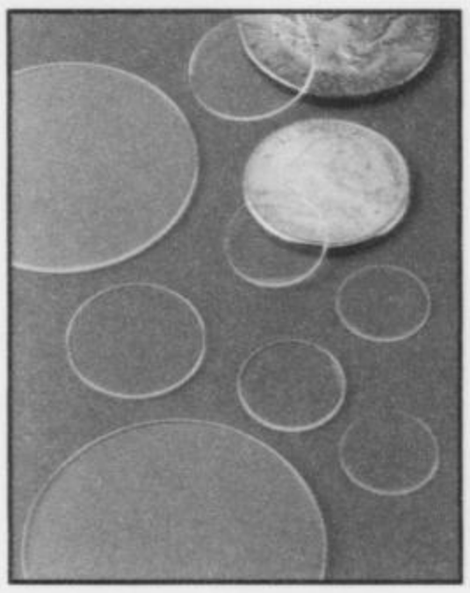

Meller Optics sapphire waveplates for Er:YAG and holmium lasers extend polarization into the infrared and provide superior damage resistance to quartz and mica. They are available from 0.3 to 4.7 μm, and for Er:YAG and holmium lasers at 2.94 and 2.10 μm, respectively. The waveplates are offered in λ/4 and λ/2 versions and with diameters from 10 to 30 mm.

Meller Optics Inc. **Circle No. 26**

Large LED Dome Lights

Spectrum Illumination, the creator of Monster Light® technology, is pleased to introduce a series of large dome lights. All dome lights include our patent-pending DIN rail-mount LDM constant current driver and feature the highest-output LED light engines available in the vision industry. Three large sizes are available, with output areas of 12.25, 18.25 and 29.25 in.

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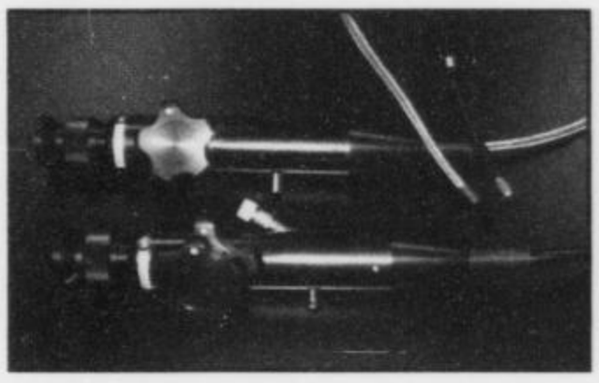
Copperhead Borescopes



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Sunoptic Technologies **Circle No. 28**

Microscope Objectives

Optics Technology Inc. designs, manufactures and assembles custom application microscope objectives and systems. Wavelength region spans from the deep-UV through the far-IR. The company offers rapid design and prototyping services and works with all optical glasses and crystals. Solutions are technically practical as well as cost-effective.

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Photonic Products

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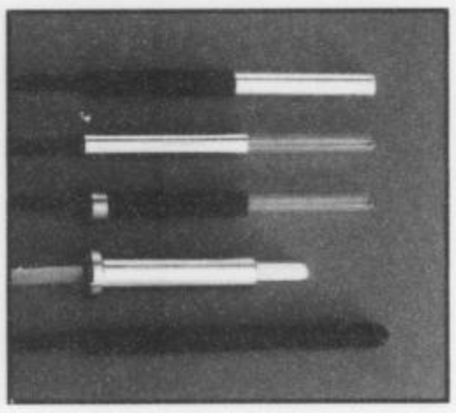

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The Find-R-Scope thermal viewer is a lightweight, compact, handheld solid-state viewfinder. Ideal for surveillance, search and rescue, fire fighting, building inspection, industrial process control or monitoring, and military applications, it features long battery life, single-switch operation, 7- to 14-µm viewing and RS-170 video out. All viewer functions can be optimized through the optional RS-232/RS-485 serial interface and stored in nonvolatile memory for portable use.

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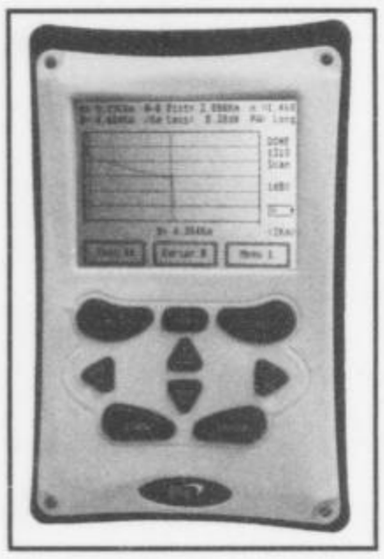

The Certification Mini-OTDR from Fiber Instrument Sales Inc. (FIS) measures only 7.1 × 4.6 × 3 in. The unit tests at four wavelengths: 850, 1300, 1490 and 1550 nm, three of which are common to FTTx applications. It interfaces with a PC and a printer to produce printed and electronic certifications. Metro/LAN versions are available. FIS carries a full line of test equipment, including power meters, light sources, fault locators and microscopes. Call for a free 2005 Communication Fiber Optics catalog.

FIS **Circle No. 32**

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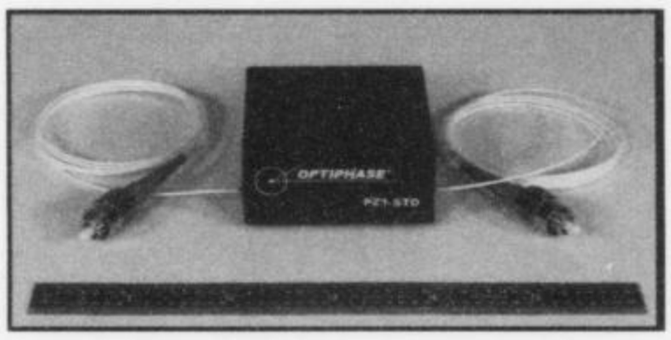
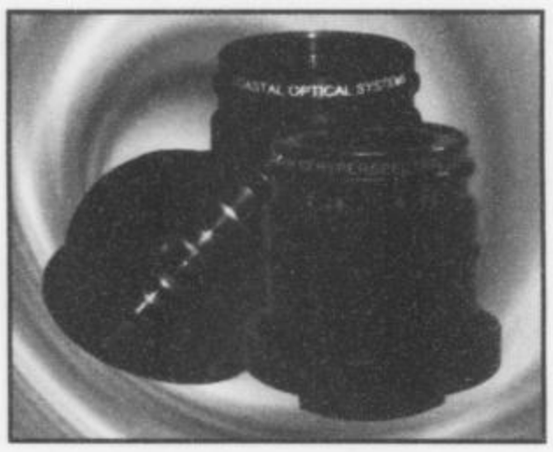


The PZ1-STD is a cost-effective fiber-wound piezoelectric optical phase modulator that is suitable for a wide variety of fiber interferometric applications. Our multilayer winding approach produces an enhanced modulation function while maintaining a high operational frequency. Its compact package is ideal for small spaces. Please contact us for full details.

Optiphase Inc. **Circle No. 33**

NIR-VIS Color-Corrected Hyperspectral Lenses



Color-corrected from 400 to 1700 nm, the CoastalOpt™ hyperspectral 25-mm lens allows simultaneous imaging of visible and NIR wavelengths. The lens design complements Indigo Systems' new VisGaAs sensor by providing focus over the entire sensitivity of the sensor. The C-mount adjustable aperture lens accommodates 25.5-mm threaded filters and is available from stock. Custom configurations are available.

Coastal Optical Systems **Circle No. 34**

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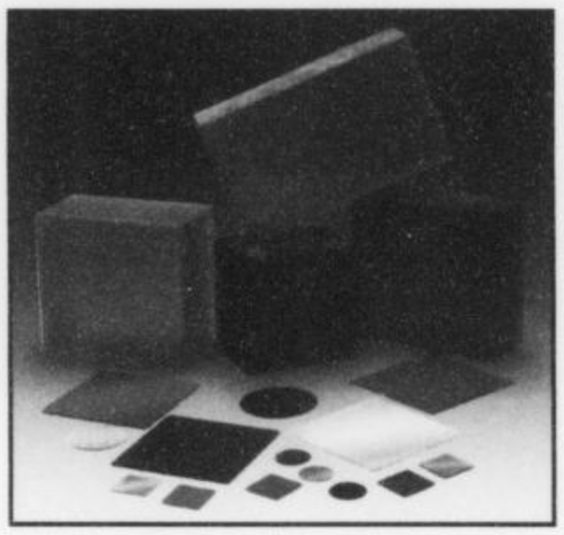

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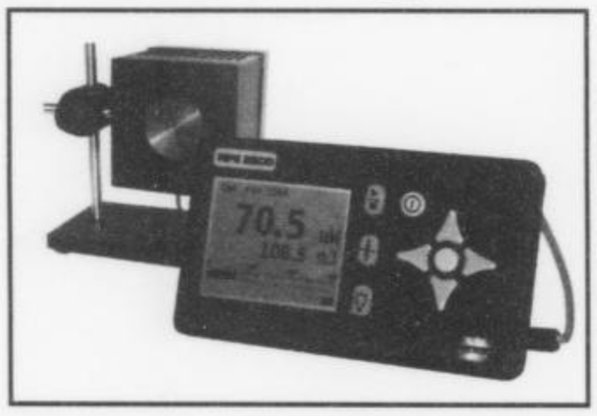

Spiricon Power Products Inc. announces a new universal, portable, dual-channel power and energy meter. It interfaces to thermopile, pyroelectric, semiconductor and temperature probes, and it features a digital readout, analog bar and dynamic graphs. Interfaces include an SD card slot and USB connectivity to LabView on Windows, Mac and Linux.

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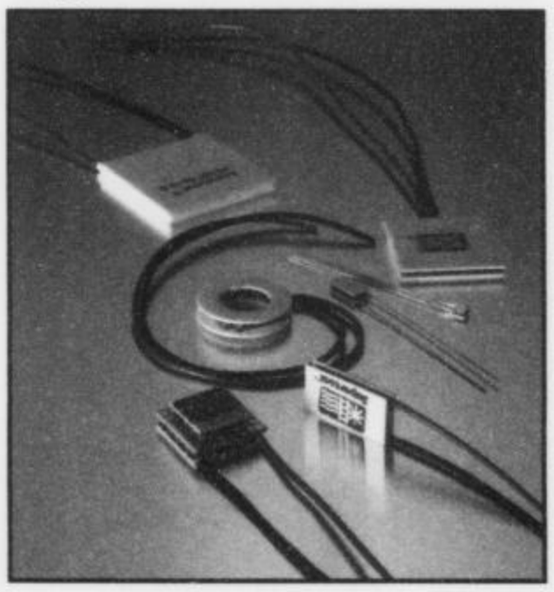

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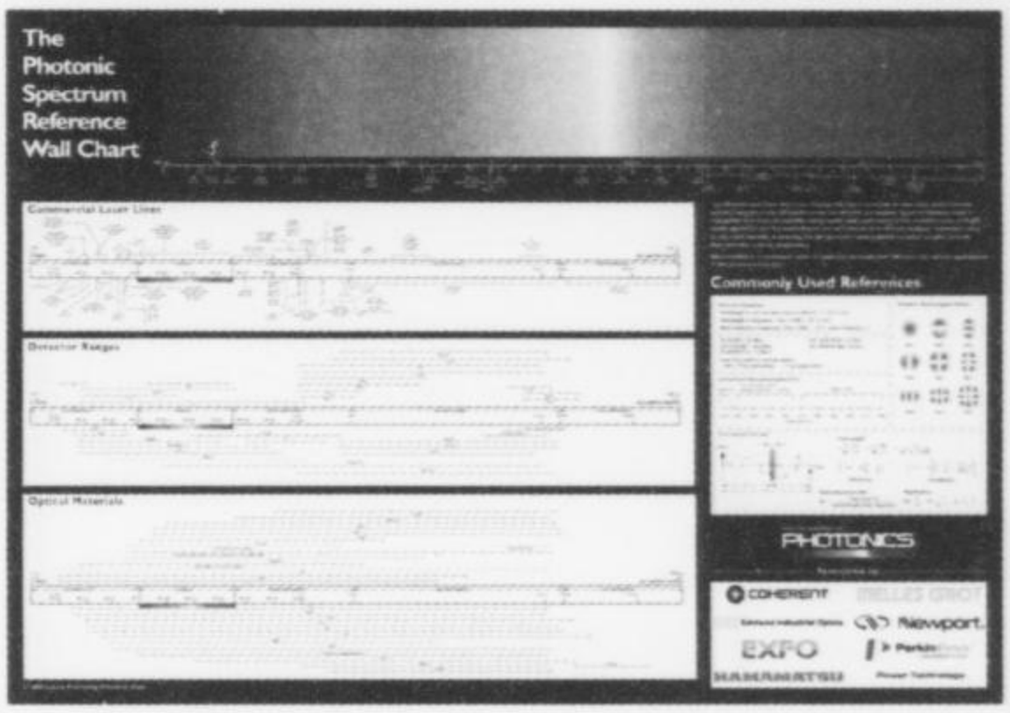

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Southcon/2005 Feb. 16-17 (Orlando, Fla.). Contact Sue Kingston, +1 (310) 937-1006; fax: +1 (813) 996-4460; e-mail: skingston@adelphia.net; Web: www.southcon.org.

AAFS 57th Annual Meeting Feb. 21-26 (New Orleans). Contact American Academy of Forensic Sciences, +1 (719) 636-1100; fax: +1 (719) 636-1993; Web: www.aafs.com.

APEX, IPC Printed Circuits Expo, Designers Summit Feb. 22-24 (Anaheim, Calif.). Contact IPC-Association Connecting Electronic Industries, +1 (847) 615-7100; fax: +1 (847) 615-7105; e-mail: shows@ipc.org; Web: www.ipc.org.

PITTCON 2005 Feb. 27-March 4 (Orlando, Fla.). Contact Pittsburgh Conference, +1 (412) 825-3220 or +1 (800) 825-3221; fax: +1 (412) 825-3224; Web: www.pittcon.org.

Phosphor Global Summit 2005 Feb. 28-March 2 (San Diego). Contact Stephanie Edwards, Conference Director, Intertech Corp., +1 (207) 781-2150; fax: +1 (207) 781-2150; e-mail: sedwards@intertechusa.com.

Microlithography: 30th SPIE International Symposium Feb. 28-March 4 (San Jose, Calif.). Contact SPIE, +1 (360) 676-3290; fax: +1 (360) 647-1445; e-mail: spie@spie.org.

MARCH

Advanced Laser Safety Officer Course March 1-3 (Las Vegas). Contact Leah Cridlin, Rockwell Laser Industries Inc., +1 (800) 945-2737; fax: +1 (513) 271-1598; e-mail: training@rli.com; Web: www.rli.com.

OFC/NFOEC 2005 March 6-11 (Anaheim, Calif.). Contact Optical Society of America, +1 (202) 416-1975; fax: +1 (202) 416-6140; e-mail: info@ofcconference.org.

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APS March Meeting 2005 March 21-25 (Los Angeles). Contact American Physical Society, +1 (301) 209-3286; fax: +1 (301) 209-0866; e-mail: meetings@aps.org; Web: www.aps.org.

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APS April Meeting 2005 April 16-19 (Tampa, Fla.). Contact American Physical Society, +1 (301) 209-3286; fax: +1 (301) 209-0866; e-mail: meetings@aps.org; Web: www.aps.org.

Tapered Fiber Provides NMR Sample Illumination

by Nancy D. Lamontagne

Photochemical nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR) experiments, such as photochemically induced dynamic nuclear polarization, and studies of protein surfaces and photoactive proteins require laser illumination of the sample inside the narrow bore of a superconducting NMR magnet. Efficient delivery of light to the sample, beyond and around the probe coils, capacitors, temperature control system and gradient coils, is difficult and has been a long-standing technical problem.

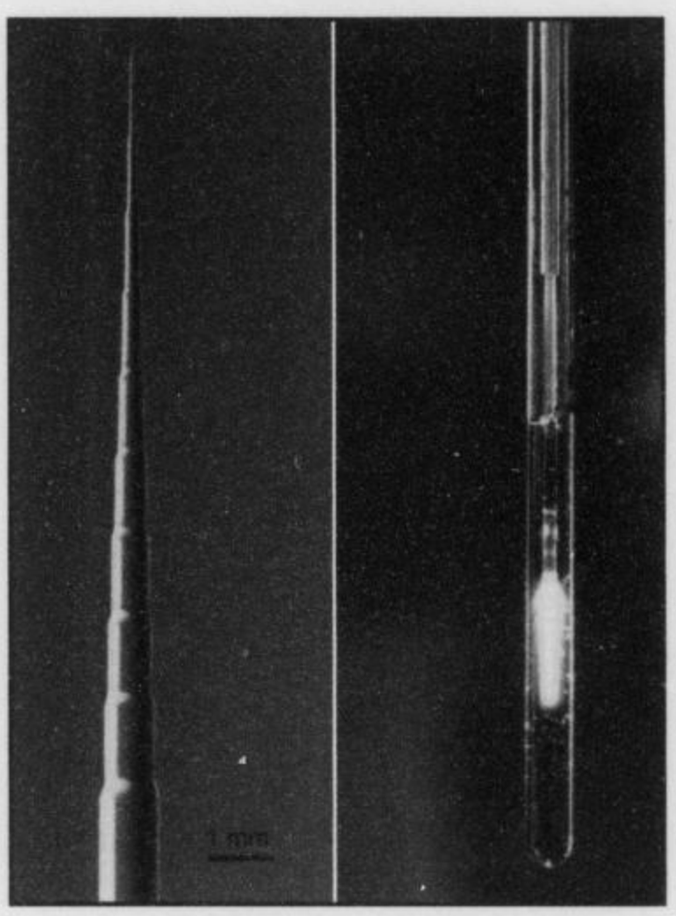
A research team at Oxford University in the UK recently suggested a thin tapered optical fiber as a means of efficient and uniform laser light delivery to the NMR sample.

A variety of sample illumination schemes have been tried, but none has been ideal. In the ideal case, the entire sample volume would receive light uniformly because nonuniform illumination generates concentration and temperature gradients that distort chemical kinetics and that bias the results. A good sample illumination setup also shouldn't require NMR probe modification, but should be easy to assemble and move from one spectrometer to another.

The tapered fiber developed by Ilya Kuprov and Peter J. Hore provides light from above the sample and scatters it uniformly along the axis of an NMR tube. To create the illuminating fiber, they used an etching process to step-taper one end of a Newport optical fiber that had a 1-mm-diameter core. They created fiber tips of various lengths that decreased diameters in seven to 15 steps.

To measure the light intensity distribution within the sample, they used a ^{19}F photochemically induced dynamic nuclear polarization effect on 4-fluorophenol sensitized by flavin mononucleotide. The amount of nuclear polarization generated in this system is, in certain conditions, proportional to the local light density, which allowed measuring the light intensity profiles using NMR imaging techniques.

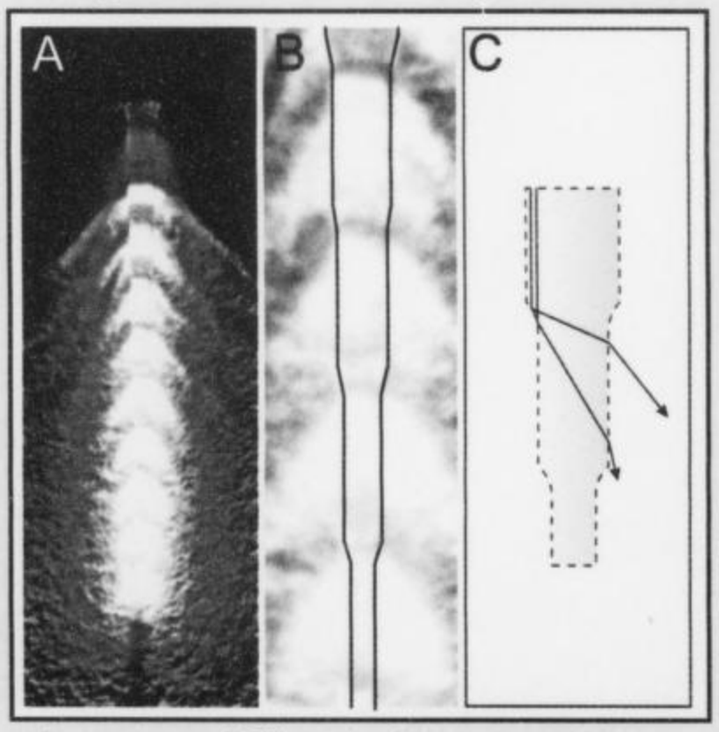
The researchers tested the fiber tips in a Varian Inova 600-MHz 14.1-T NMR spectrometer. A Spectra-Physics argon-ion laser operating in multiline mode at 10 W at predominantly 488 and 514 nm provided light pulses 100 ms long. The light was focused into a 6-m-long fiber via a Newport 53 objective lens. The other end of the fiber was connected to a 2-m-long fiber with a tapered tip that they placed inside a 5-mm NMR tube.



The tapered fiber on the left can be used for illumination in NMR experiments. On the right is the fiber illuminating a solution. The fiber cone is less than 50 µm but looks larger because of the lensing effect of the solution. Images reprinted with permission of the Journal of Magnetic Resonance.

They found that shorter cones (with steeper shoulders) tended to emit light predominantly from the shoulders, which produced nonuniform illumination. Very long cones with many steps emitted light only from the tip via total internal reflection. The best results came from cones with 10 to 15 1.0- to 1.5-mm steps. In these fibers, the vertical sections between the shoulders of the steps emitted light at ~45° to the fiber axis. The researchers noted that using steps to create the cone was essential because smooth cones emitted most of their light from the tip.

Their tests revealed that the fiber cone does not significantly deteriorate spectral resolution, and it displaces only about 5 percent of the total sample volume. In addition, it emits light into a volume around 25 mm^2 as compared with the 0.8 mm^2 area that a square-cut fiber can produce and, consequently, produces more homogeneous heating than a cut tip.



The tapered fiber is shown emitting on a white surface (A). A magnified portion of the center of A is shown in B. In C are the likely paths of the light rays.

The researchers found that the tips were robust if they were free from scratches. If a tip did break from inaccurate insertion into the NMR, it could be repaired using the same etching process that produced it. Since the publication of this paper, they have worked with another group to use the setup to study GFP. □

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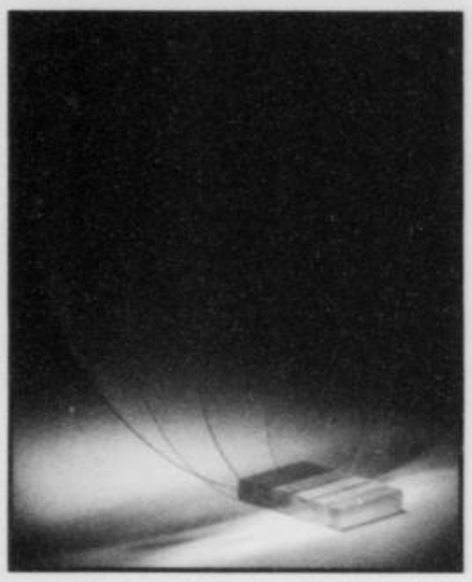

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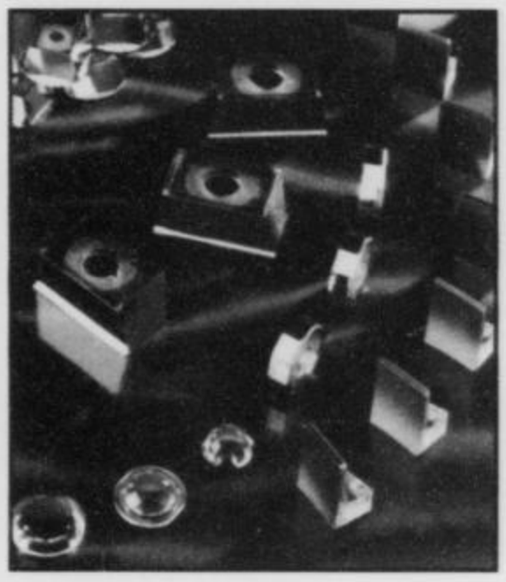

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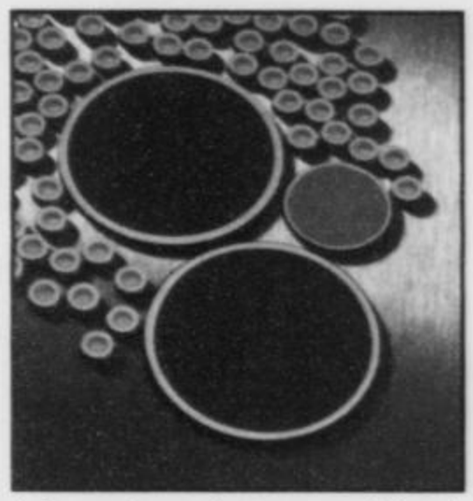

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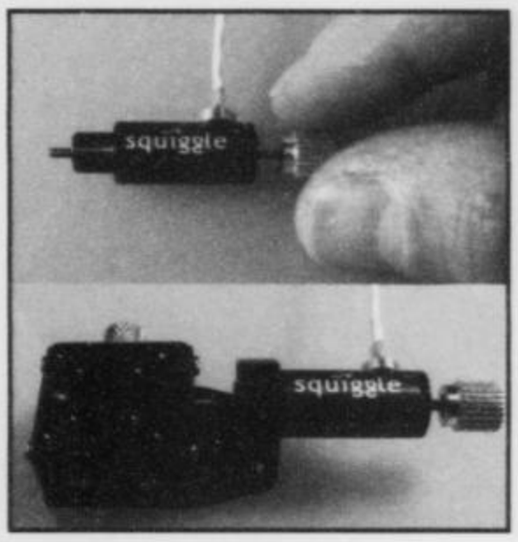

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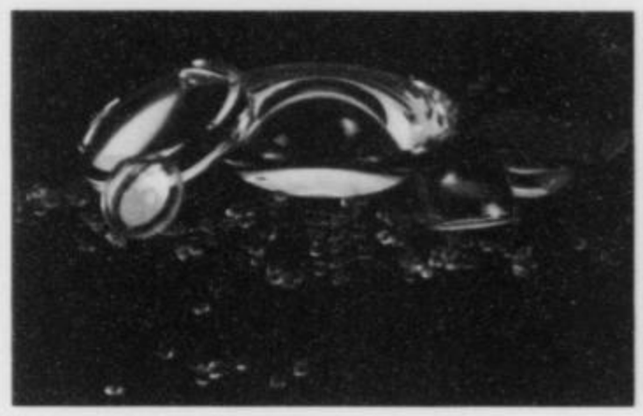

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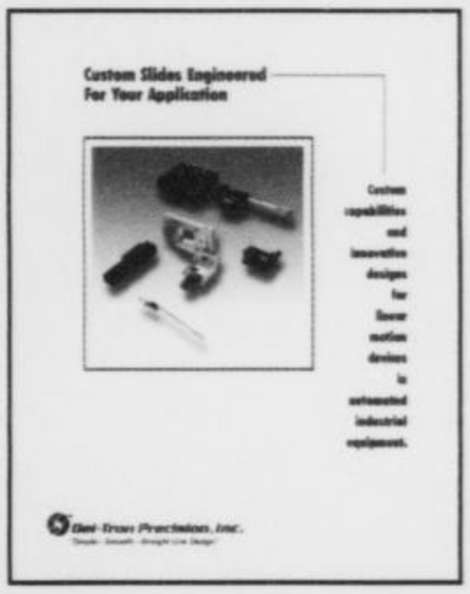

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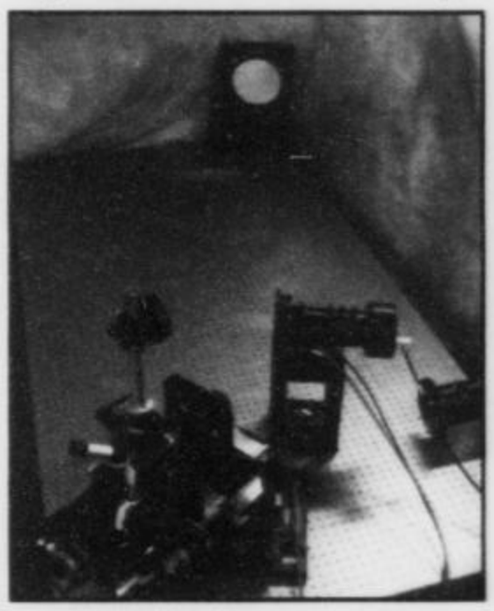

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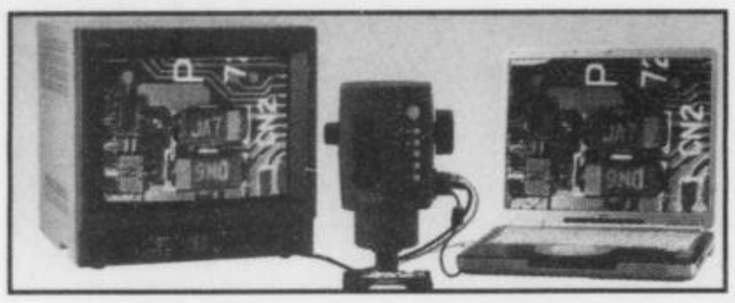

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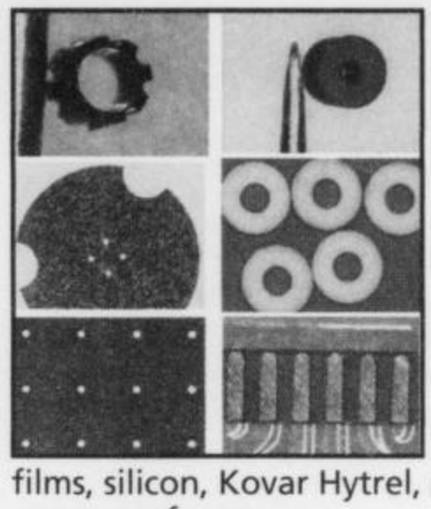

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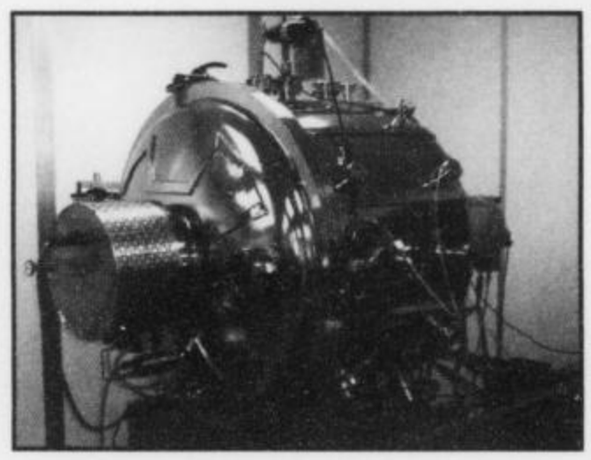

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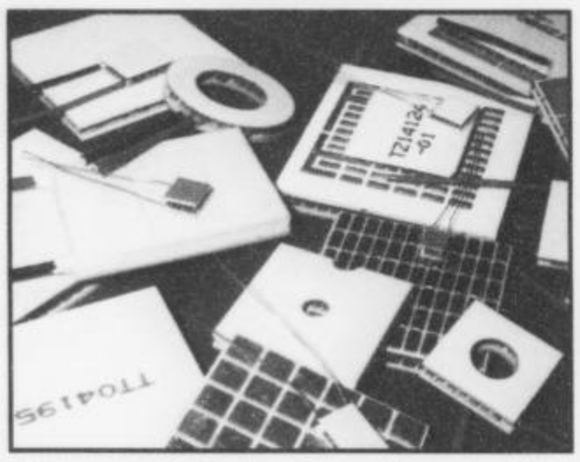

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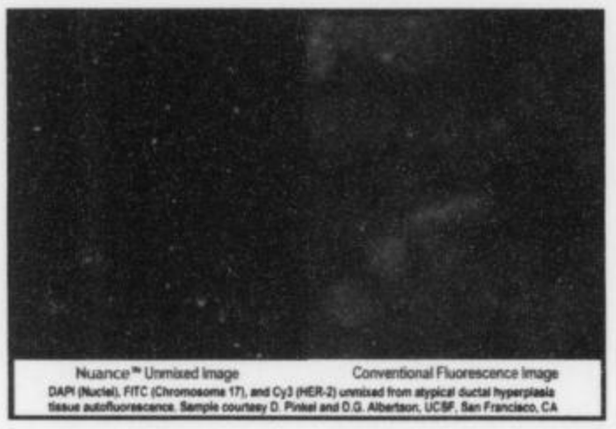
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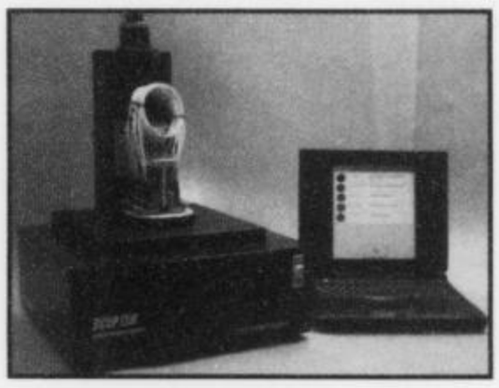

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Nanopositioning Stage Pulls Piconewtons in Molecular Stretching Application

A multiaxis closed-loop piezo stage can generate forces of piconewtons at subnanometer displacement resolution.

by Stefan Vorndran, Physik Instrumente (PI) GmbH & Co. KG, Karlsruhe, Germany

Nanopositioning, the art of controlling motion on the nanometer scale and below, has been a key enabling technology in many high-tech fields. The need for miniaturization in industries such as semiconductors, telecommunications and data storage has driven the development of faster and higher-resolution motion systems over the past decades. More recently, nanopositioning devices also have been employed in biotechnology applications, and the latest developments in this technology are fostering progress in molecular biology.

Research at the Fernandez Lab at Columbia University in New York focuses on the mechanical properties of single molecules, such as proteins or saccharides, using atomic force microscopy. These properties are extremely relevant to the understanding of biological processes. Scientists can deduce the structural features of the molecules based on the observed mechanical stability and the conformational changes that occur upon the application of force.

The basic principle of the technique involves the stretching of a molecule between a gold surface and the tip of a microscopic cantilever (Figures 1 and 2). The forces involved are incredibly small, on the order of piconewtons; 10 pN are equivalent to the force exerted by one-billionth of a gram.

The stretching experiment is run in either force- or velocity-control mode. Both require proportional integral derivative feedback. The measured force-extension relationship helps to explain the structural features of the molecules (Figure 3). The length of the molecule as a function of the force is obtained from the displacement of the substrate.

Because the forces are so minute and the distances involved only a few nanometers, all the equipment used in the experiment must be of the highest precision and sensitivity. Two crucial elements in the setup are the nanopositioning stage and its position measurement system. A main requirement of the stage is that all of the parts in the motion system (actuator, sensor, guidance) be friction-free. This rules out classical positioning stages that have ball or roller bearings.

The nanopositioning system used in the Fernandez research is a PicoCube multiaxis closed-loop piezo stage

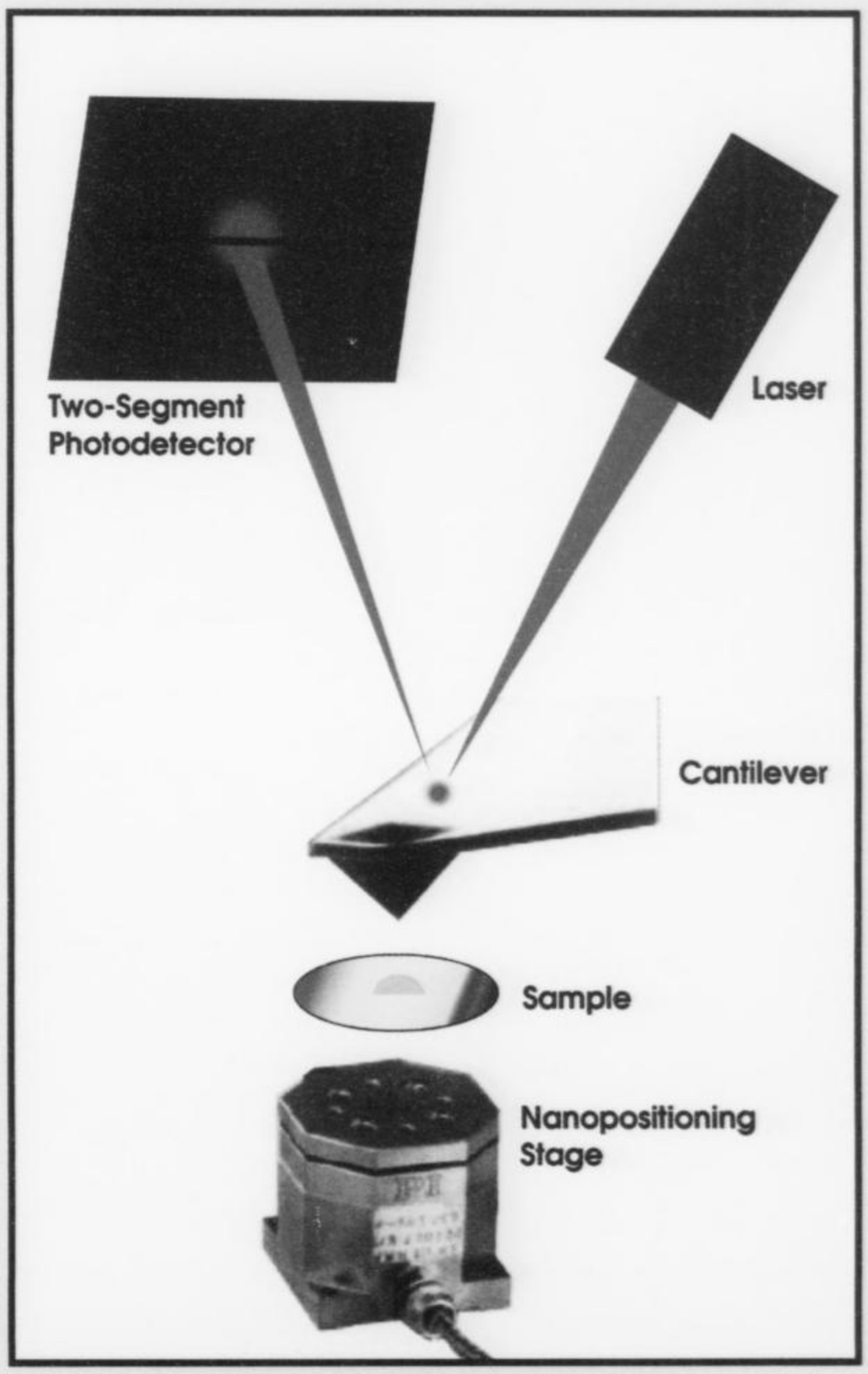

Figure 1. The basic setup of the molecule stretching application involves the PicoCube stage moving the sample and measuring the position via an integrated subnanometer-precision capacitive sensor. The cantilever, laser and photodetector provide force feedback. Courtesy of Fernandez Lab.

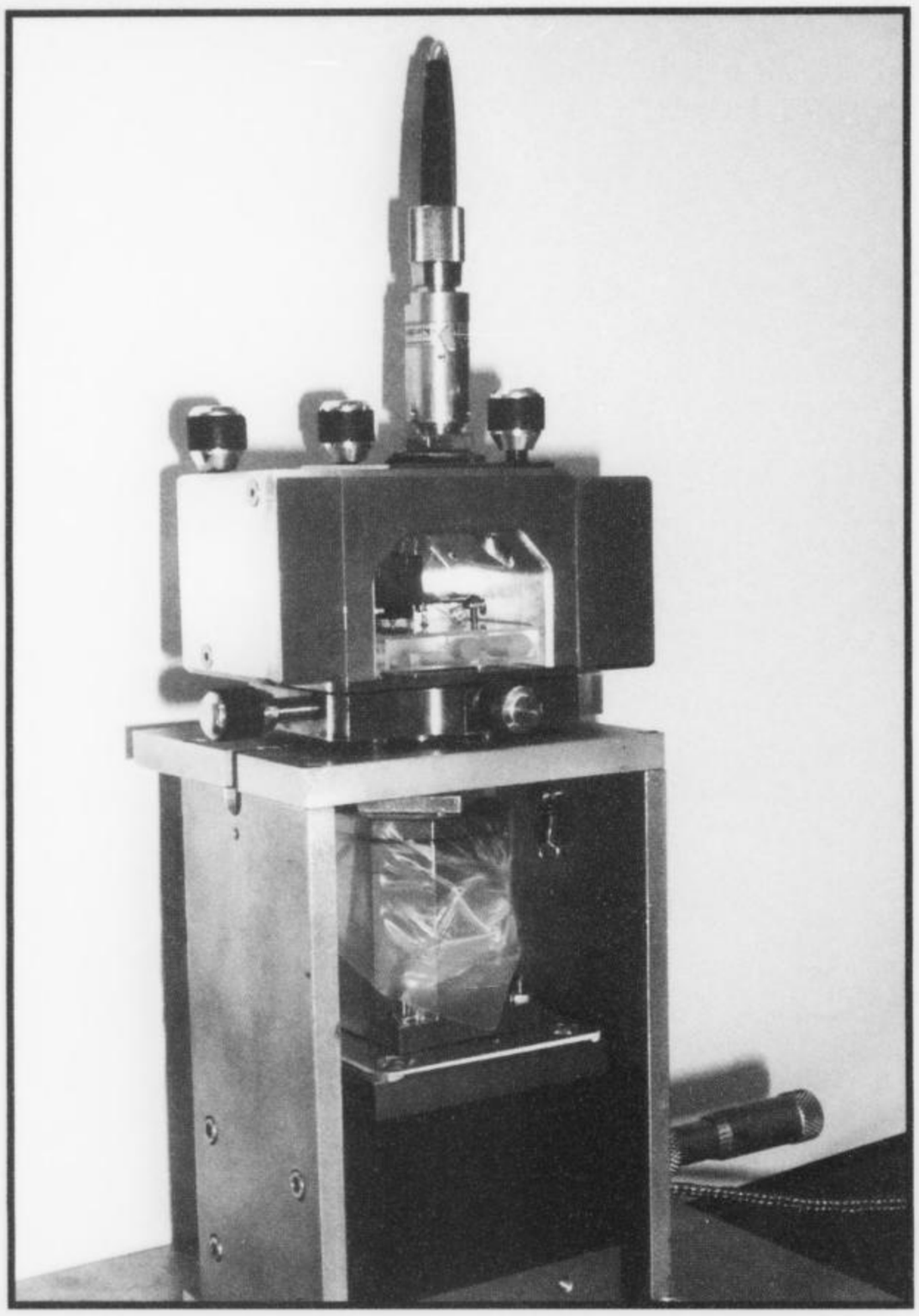

Figure 2. The apparatus stretches the molecule between a gold surface and the tip of a microscopic cantilever. Courtesy of Fernandez Lab.

from Physik Instrumente (PI) GmbH & Co. KG. It is equipped with a noncontact, direct metrology, capacitive measurement system (Figures 4 and 5).

Capacitive sensors have emerged as the default choice for nanopositioning applications with travel ranges of less than 1 mm. They are compact, high-bandwidth, absolute measuring devices (no homing procedure) that provide very good linearity and long-term stability with subnanometer resolution. These features make them ideal sensors for precisely determining the length of the molecules.

Both the actuator and the sensor have a very high bandwidth of several kilohertz and can be used for fast scanning operations. The high mechanical resonance frequency of the stage is the result of a very stiff mechanical design, important for structural stability at the nanometer level.

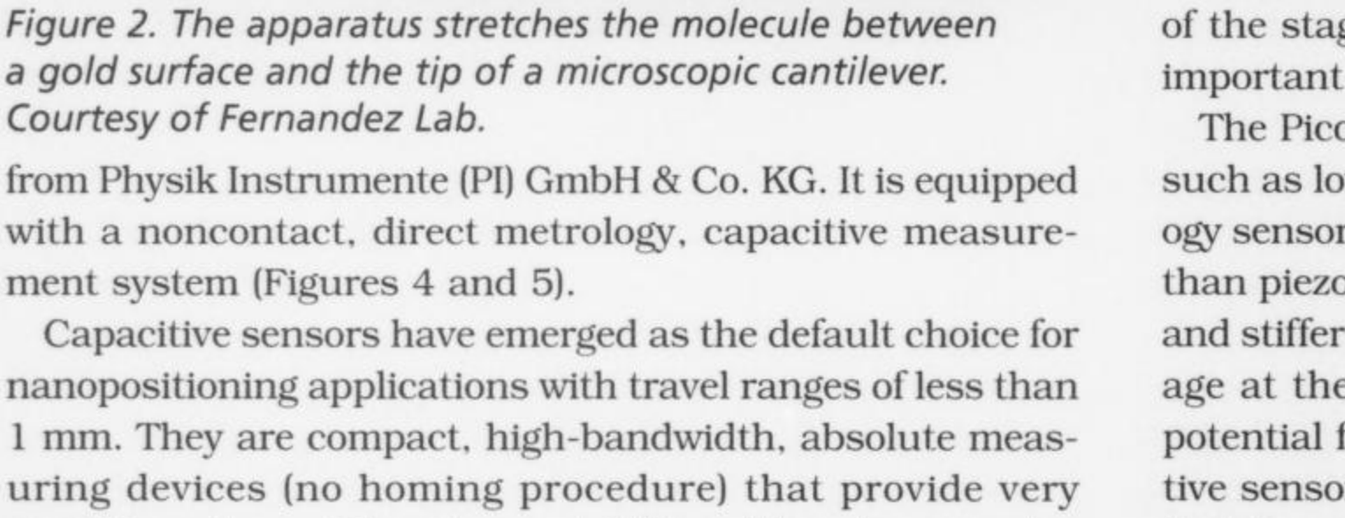

Figure 5. The 300-pm steps with the PicoCube show how fast and repeatably the system responds to positioning commands. The theoretical resolution (limited by electrical noise) is approximately 50 pm.

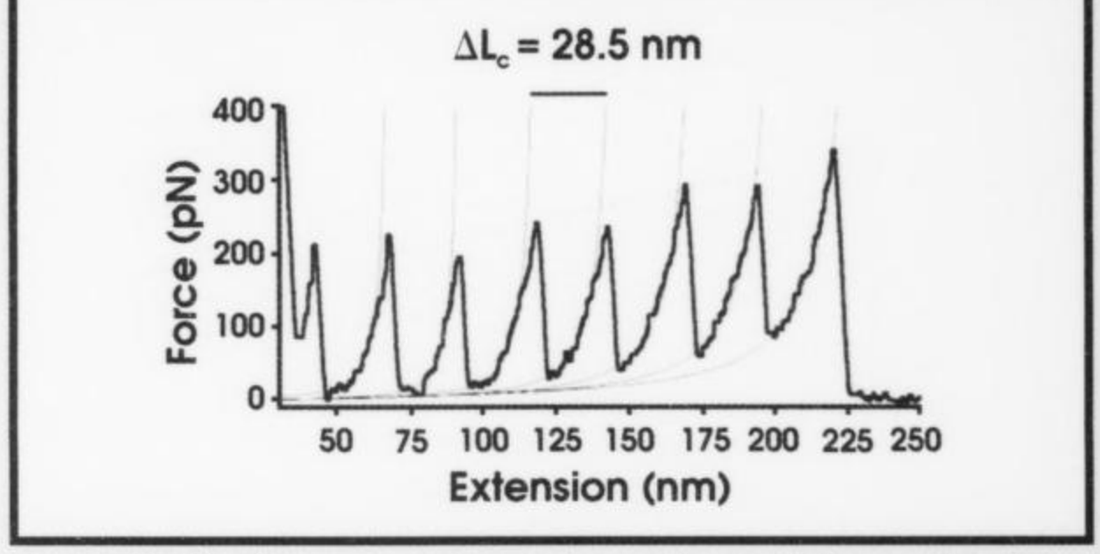

Figure 3. The force vs. extension graph of a titin molecule shows that the protein is composed of structurally rigid and nonrigid elements. Courtesy of Fernandez Lab.

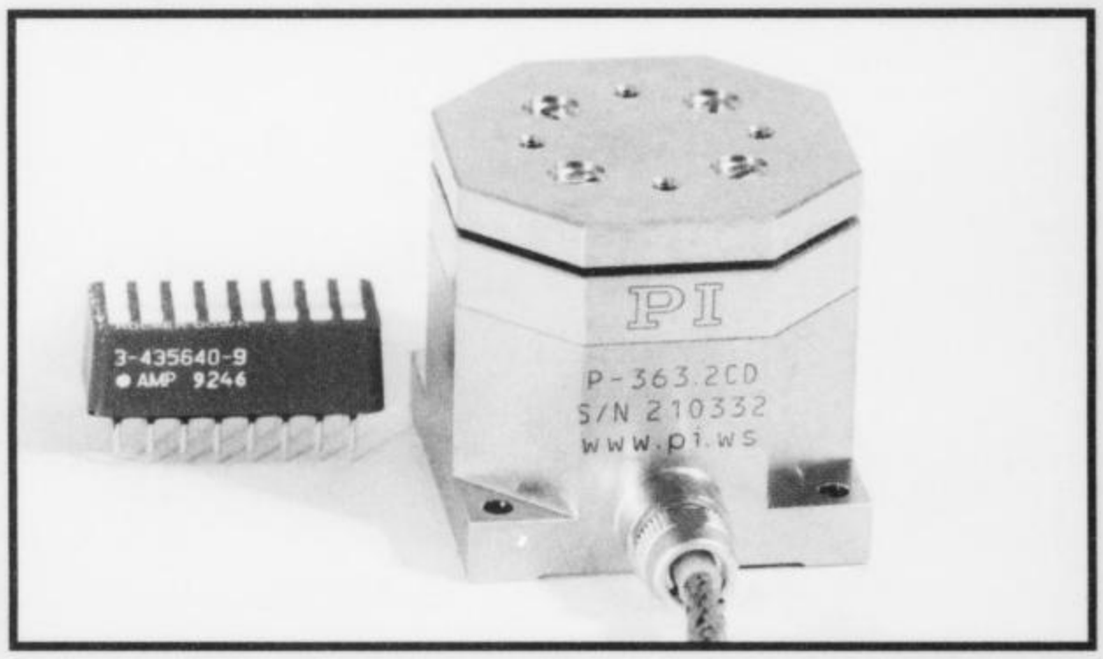

Figure 4. The PicoCube is available in two- or three-axis versions. The DIP switch is shown for size comparison.

The PicoCube system boasts a number of novel features, such as low-inertia bipolar piezo drives and parallel metrology sensors. The bipolar drives allow for a larger travel range than piezo drives similar in size and, thus, a more compact and stiffer package. As a further benefit, the piezo drive voltage at the center of travel is zero, which means that the potential for failure also is zero. The use of parallel capacitive sensors to measure the single moving platform means that the orthogonal axes automatically compensate for each other's crosstalk (active trajectory control).

PI's nanopositioning stages provide travel ranges from 5 µm to 1 mm and motion from one to six degrees of freedom. They can be controlled by a variety of analog or digital controllers. Analog types are convenient in applications with analog control signals. Digital ones, on the other hand, offer a number of advanced features such as dynamic linearization, virtually eliminating tracking errors in high-speed scanning applications. They also allow the use of autocalibrating mechanics and the changing of servo and systems parameters on the fly. □

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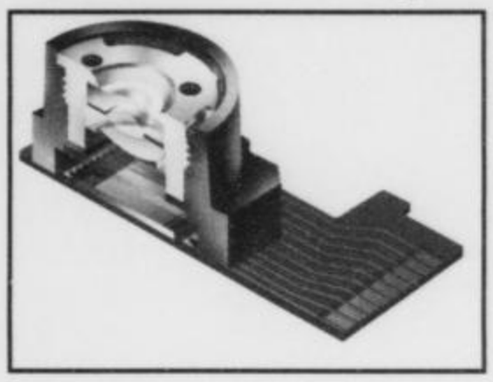

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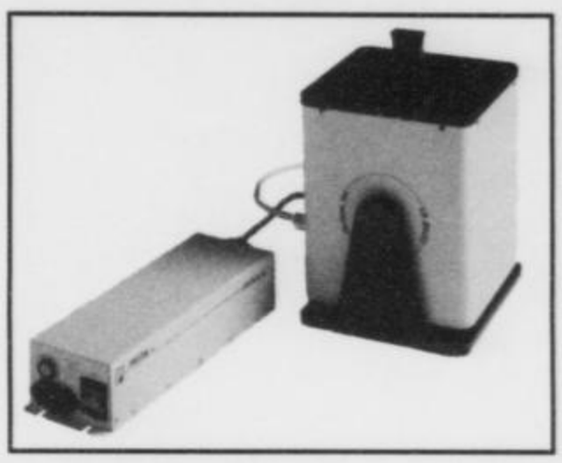

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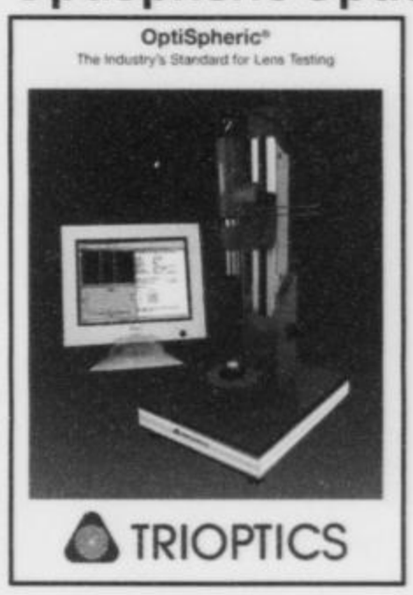

OptiSpheric is a PC-based optical test station that is designed to accurately measure the optical parameters of lenses and optical assemblies. OptiSpheric can accurately measure EFL, BFL, FFL MTF, radius and centering errors in lenses. OptiSpheric can be upgraded to measure plano optics such as wedge angle, mirror tilt and parallelism of windows by adding a software module and mechanical accessories.

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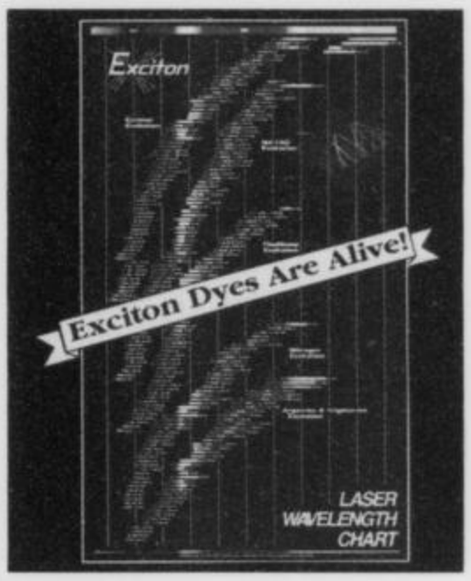

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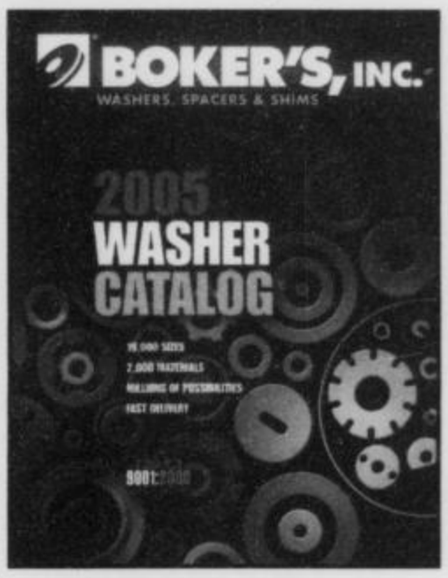

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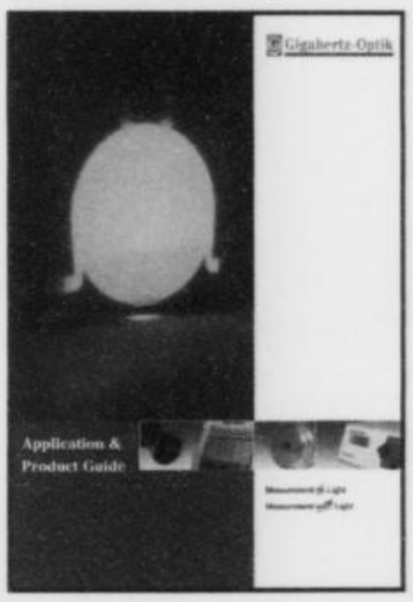

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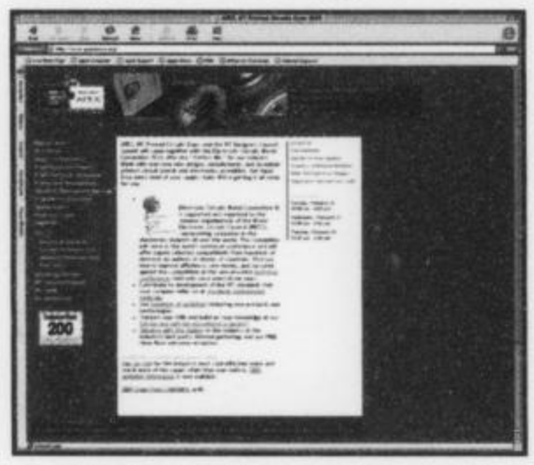

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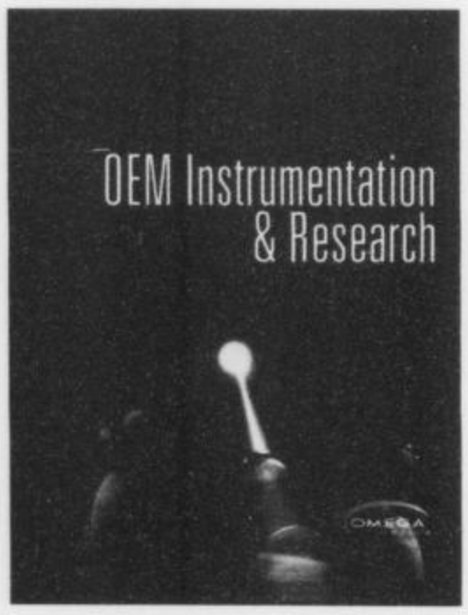

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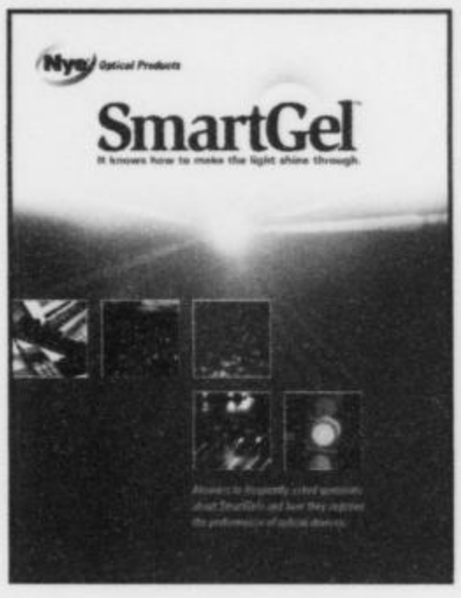

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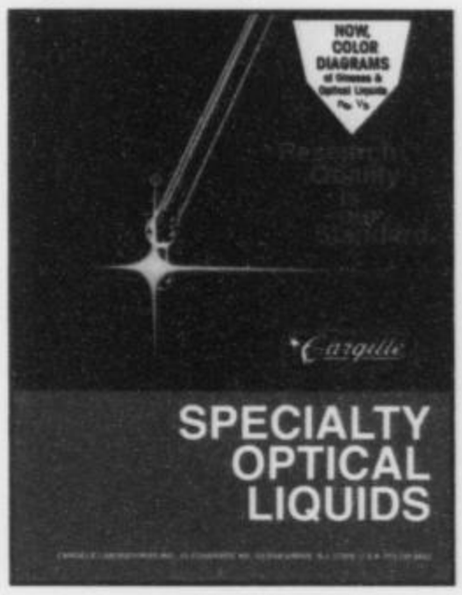

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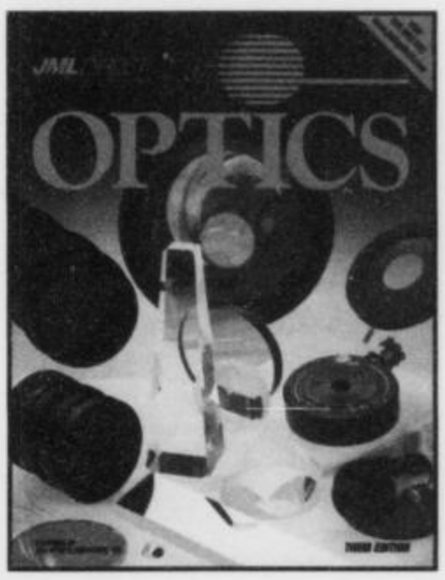

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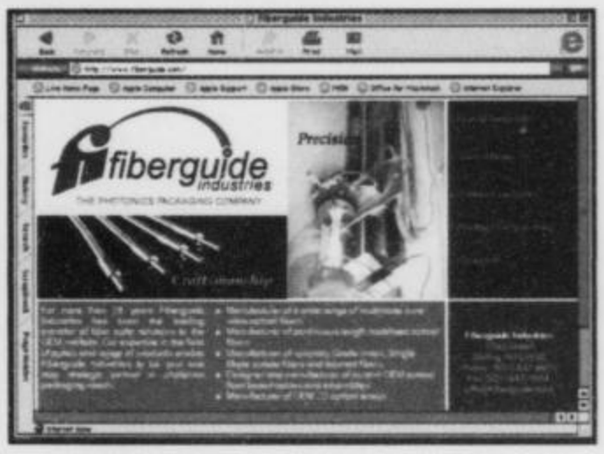

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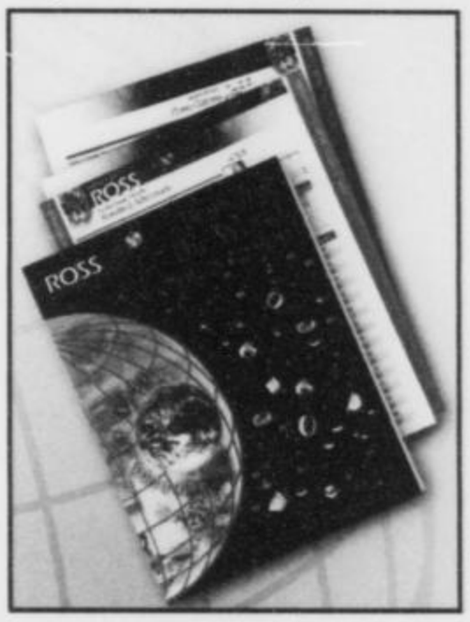

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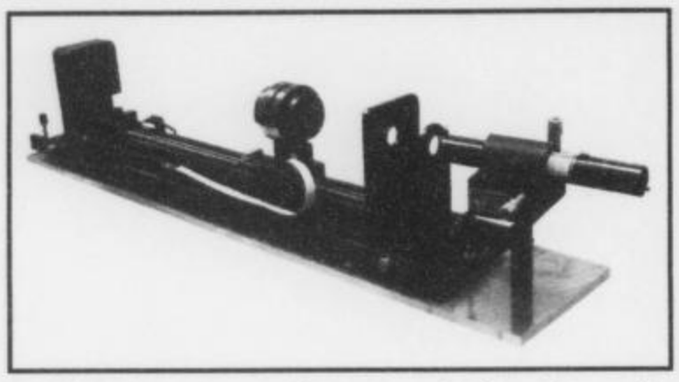

Photon Inc. has added the NanoScan to its ModeScan ISO-compliant M^2 instrument to expand the range of lasers that can be measured. Designed to operate in the production environment, ModeScan reports beam waist location, diameter, divergence and M^2 propagation factor in a matter of seconds.

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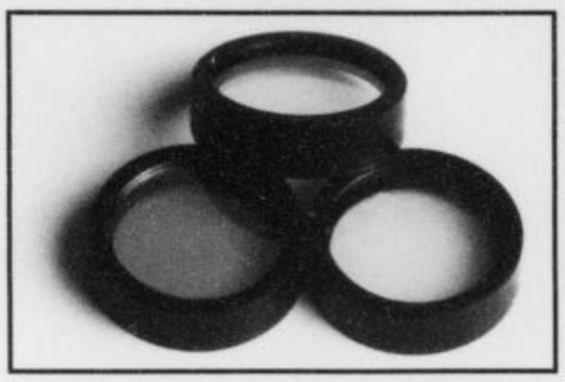

For applications that require laser wavelengths without spontaneous emission noise, these high-performance ion-beam-sputtered filters are robust and provide very narrow passbands at laser wavelengths. Ideal for fluorescence instrumentation, Raman spectroscopy, and analytical and medical laser systems, the filters transmit more than 90% at the laser wavelength but offer blocking of more than 5.0 OD at just ±1% of the laser wavelength. Available wavelengths are from 363.8 to 1064 nm.

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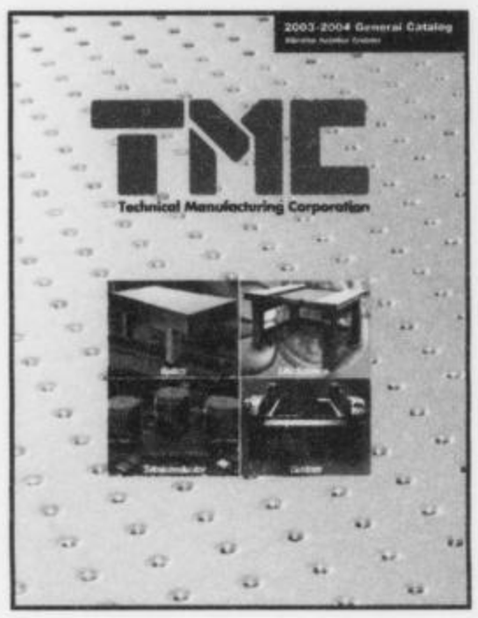

TMC's 120-page General Catalog presents its full line of vibration isolation systems and equipment. Highlights include the patented CleanTop™ II steel honeycomb optical top and the patented STACIS® active piezoelectric vibration cancellation system. Cleanroom-compatible, nonmagnetic and breadboard versions of the tops are described. Standard and custom tables and accessories are available. A detailed technical background section includes a vibration tutorial.

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